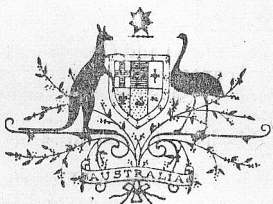


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AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Exclusive of Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1933.			Estimated 31st December, 1939.			Population—Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1939.
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,432	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	1,396,224	1,374,124	2,770,348	1,302,890
Victoria	87,884	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	932,620	954,658	1,887,278	1,046,750
Q'land.	670,500	497,217	450,317	947,534	530,372	485,555	1,015,927	326,000
S. Aust.	380,070	290,962	289,987	580,949	298,217	298,828	597,045	322,990
W. Aust.	975,920	233,937	204,915	438,852	243,813	222,103	465,916	224,800
Tasmania	26,215	115,097	112,502	227,599	121,965	119,611	241,576	65,450
N. Ter.	523,620	3,378	1,472	4,850	4,903	2,070	6,973	2,250
Aust. Cap. Territory	940	4,805	4,142	8,947	6,699	5,564	12,263	10,420
Total ..	2,974,581	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,534,813	3,462,513	6,997,326	3,301,550

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	A. C. T.(b) (c)	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1930	2,546,353	1,792,605	916,736	574,467	431,610	225,297	4,964	8,719	6,500,751
1935	2,657,666	1,843,023	970,719	586,443	447,745	233,108	5,091	9,319	6,753,114
1936	2,681,736	1,851,593	982,134	589,312	451,557	235,328	5,305	9,787	6,806,752
1937	2,710,738	1,859,487	993,461	591,201	457,111	238,990	5,354	10,248	6,866,590
1938	2,735,695	1,873,760	1,004,150	595,109	462,461	241,407	5,645	11,464	6,929,691
1939	2,770,348	1,887,278	1,015,927	597,045	465,916	241,576	6,973	12,263	6,997,326

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	A. C. T.(b) (c)	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1930	2,532,289	1,786,217	910,319	573,242	429,079	220,933	4,979	3,961	6,466,019
1935	2,645,575	1,839,361	966,198	585,015	445,384	229,616	5,101	9,382	6,725,632
1936	2,667,839	1,847,665	978,589	587,549	450,036	231,046	5,255	9,765	6,777,744
1937	2,694,679	1,856,033	989,668	589,143	454,295	233,951	5,411	10,195	6,833,375
1938	2,721,196	1,867,818	1,000,749	592,579	459,977	235,678	5,726	11,124	6,894,847
1939—									
M.	1,385,329	929,500	529,928	298,033	244,451	120,799	4,321	6,533	3,518,894
F.	1,363,805	952,442	483,399	298,104	220,591	117,202	1,952	5,457	3,442,952
P.	2,749,134	1,881,942	1,013,327	596,137	465,042	238,001	6,273	11,990	6,961,846

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

(c) Revised estimates based on the results of the Census of the Australian Capital Territory on the 30th June, 1938, are as follows:—(i) 31st December—1933, 9,341; 1934, 9,457; 1935, 9,761; 1936, 10,406; 1937, 11,043; (ii) Mean—1933, 9,078; 1934, 9,425; 1935, 9,735; 1936, 10,295; 1937, males 5,916, females 4,986, total 10,902.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.

NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).

New South Wales	20,129	21,817	22,262	21,214	21,188
Victoria	9,428	10,105	11,118	11,389	10,324
Queensland	8,837	10,162	10,156	9,791	10,818
South Australia	3,107	3,447	3,738	3,871	3,879
Western Australia	4,001	4,249	4,544	4,907	4,700
Tasmania	2,103	2,194	2,616	2,619	2,578
Northern Territory	14	53	36	33	50
Australian Capital Territory ..	107	114	165	140	207
Total	47,726	52,141	54,635	53,964	53,744

NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).

New South Wales	1,334	2,253	6,740	3,743	13,465
Victoria	-3,895	-1,535	-3,224	2,884	3,194
Queensland	2,385	1,253	1,171	898	959
South Australia	-958	-578	-1,849	37	-1,943
Western Australia	1,134	-437	1,010	443	-1,245
Tasmania	-442	26	1,046	-202	-2,409
Northern Territory	133	161	13	258	1,278
Australian Capital Territory (a) ..	20	354	296	1,076	592
Total	-289	1,497	5,203	9,137	13,891

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Emigration over Immigration.

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

New South Wales	21,463	24,070	29,002	24,957	34,653
Victoria	5,533	8,570	7,894	14,273	13,518
Queensland	11,222	11,415	11,327	10,689	11,777
South Australia	2,149	2,869	1,889	3,908	1,936
Western Australia	5,135	3,812	5,554	5,350	3,455
Tasmania	1,661	2,220	3,662	2,417	169
Northern Territory	147	214	49	291	1,328
Australian Capital Territory (a) ..	127	468	461	1,216	799
Total	47,437	53,638	59,838	63,101	67,635

(a) Revised figures corrected in accordance with the results of the Census of the Australian Capital Territory on the 30th June, 1938, are as follows:—Net migration—1933, 684; 1934, 13; 1935, 197; 1936, 531; 1937, 472; first six months, 1937, 492 and 1938, 460. Total increase—1933, 777; 1934, 116; 1935, 304; 1936, 645; 1937, 637; first six months, 1937, 577 and 1938, 519.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Year ended 31st December, 1939.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales..	24,557	23,446	48,003	15,116	11,699	26,815	25,471
Victoria..	15,728	14,765	30,493	10,779	9,390	20,169	17,368
Queensland ..	10,340	10,008	20,348	5,724	3,806	9,530	9,108
South Australia ..	4,987	4,631	9,618	3,116	2,623	5,739	5,670
Western Australia	4,649	4,387	9,036	2,664	1,672	4,336	4,203
Tasmania ..	2,595	2,409	5,004	1,348	1,078	2,426	2,264
Northern Territory	65	73	138	65	23	88	85
Australian Capital Territory ..	132	119	251	25	19	44	88
Total ..	63,053	59,838	122,891	38,837	30,310	69,147	64,257

States and Territories.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	44,676	46,193	47,497	47,319	48,003
Victoria ..	27,884	28,883	29,731	30,344	30,493
Queensland ..	17,688	18,755	19,162	18,992	20,348
South Australia ..	8,270	8,911	8,985	9,410	9,618
Western Australia ..	8,119	8,479	8,609	9,141	9,036
Tasmania ..	4,456	4,581	4,841	4,907	5,004
Northern Territory ..	84	113	99	102	138
Australian Capital Territory ..	148	158	207	200	251
Total ..	111,325	116,073	119,131	120,415	122,891

BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales ..	16.89	17.31	17.63	17.39	17.46
Victoria ..	15.16	15.63	16.02	16.25	16.20
Queensland ..	18.31	19.17	19.36	18.98	20.08
South Australia ..	14.14	15.17	15.25	15.88	16.13
Western Australia ..	18.23	18.84	18.95	19.87	19.43
Tasmania ..	19.41	19.84	20.69	20.82	21.03
Northern Territory ..	16.47	21.50	18.30	17.81	22.00
Australian Capital Territory ..	15.20	15.35	18.99	17.98	20.93
Total ..	16.55	17.13	17.43	17.46	17.65

NOTE.—Birth, death and marriage rates for the Australian Capital Territory have been adjusted in accordance with the revised mean populations set out in the footnote to p. 3.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
DEATHS—NUMBER.					
New South Wales	24,547	24,376	25,235	26,105	26,815
Victoria	18,456	18,778	18,613	18,955	20,169
Queensland	8,851	8,593	9,006	9,201	9,530
South Australia	5,163	5,464	5,247	5,539	5,739
Western Australia	4,118	4,230	4,065	4,234	4,336
Tasmania	2,353	2,387	2,225	2,288	2,426
Northern Territory	70	60	63	69	88
Australian Capital Territory	41	44	42	60	44
Total	63,599	63,932	64,496	66,451	69,147

DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	9.28	9.14	9.36	9.59	9.75
Victoria	10.03	10.16	10.03	10.15	10.72
Queensland	9.16	8.78	9.10	9.19	9.40
South Australia	8.83	9.30	8.91	9.35	9.63
Western Australia	9.25	9.40	8.95	9.20	9.32
Tasmania	10.25	10.34	9.51	9.71	10.19
Northern Territory	13.72	11.42	11.64	12.05	14.03
Australian Capital Territory	4.21	4.27	3.85	5.39	3.67
Total	9.46	9.43	9.44	9.64	9.93

NOTE.—See footnote to p. 5.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales	22,361	22,873	23,188	24,579	25,471
Victoria	15,409	15,915	16,226	17,113	17,368
Queensland	8,280	8,306	8,353	8,853	9,108
South Australia	4,845	5,182	5,340	5,489	5,670
Western Australia	3,940	4,242	4,169	4,153	4,203
Tasmania	1,875	2,073	2,042	2,082	2,264
Northern Territory	42	41	69	67	85
Australian Capital Territory	74	77	61	75	88
Total	56,826	58,709	59,448	62,411	64,257

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—continued.

States and Territories.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.					
New South Wales	8.45	8.57	8.61	9.03	9.27
Victoria	8.38	8.61	8.74	9.16	9.23
Queensland	8.57	8.49	8.44	8.85	8.99
South Australia	8.28	8.82	9.06	9.26	9.51
Western Australia	8.85	9.43	9.18	9.03	9.04
Tasmania	8.16	8.98	8.73	8.83	9.51
Northern Territory	8.23	7.80	12.75	11.70	13.55
Australian Capital Territory	7.60	7.48	5.60	6.74	7.34
Total	8.45	8.66	8.70	9.05	9.23

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

NOTE.—See footnote to p. 5.

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales	1,762	2,008	1,932	1,980	1,969
Victoria	1,148	1,222	1,091	1,038	1,085
Queensland	659	679	683	784	705
South Australia	289	277	297	287	336
Western Australia	326	358	323	309	368
Tasmania	231	227	202	197	202
Northern Territory	7	3	3	6	9
Australian Capital Territory	7	4	3	8	6
Total	4,429	4,778	4,534	4,609	4,680

INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales	39.44	43.47	40.68	41.84	41.02
Victoria	41.17	42.31	36.70	34.21	35.58
Queensland	37.26	36.20	35.64	41.28	34.65
South Australia	34.95	31.09	33.06	30.50	34.93
Western Australia	40.15	42.22	37.52	33.80	40.73
Tasmania	51.84	49.55	41.73	40.15	40.37
Northern Territory	83.33	26.55	30.30	58.82	65.22
Australian Capital Territory	47.30	25.32	14.49	35.00	23.90
Total	39.78	41.16	38.06	38.28	38.08

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (a) over (b).
	Males.	Females.	Persons.(a)	Males.	Females.	Persons.(b)	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	171,974	122,535	294,509	183,543
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,013	147,409	340,422	130,068
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	(c) 10,886
1933 ..	24,457	23,335	47,792	25,053	22,525	47,578	214
1934 ..	27,451	26,253	53,704	26,428	24,996	51,424	2,280
1935 ..	27,676	27,740	55,416	28,182	27,523	55,705	(c) 289
1936 ..	29,726	30,168	59,894	29,045	29,352	58,397	1,497
1937 ..	35,123	34,679	69,802	32,161	32,438	64,599	5,203
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,585	68,791	9,137
1939 ..	37,719	37,366	75,085	31,491	29,703	61,194	13,891
1940 (3 mths.)	5,401	4,702	10,103	4,385	3,589	7,974	2,129

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(c) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons
who arrived or departed.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Quarter ended March.		Quarter ended March.	
	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.
European—				
British (a) (Native born)	18,710	7,992	20,512	6,285
Danish	30	20	18	17
Dutch	122	140	74	70
Finnish	14	4	19	3
French	117	66	185	98
German	1,724	107	197	57
Greek	381	127	90	10
Italian	946	307	215	110
Norwegian	11	9	8	5
Russian	115	26	69	15
Swedish	11	13	15	8
Swiss	59	22	36	17
American (U.S.)	841	271	889	323
Yugoslav	213	110	75	43
Polish	321	39	36	18
Other	462	254	94	53
Total European	24,077	9,507	22,532	7,132
Non-European—				
Chinese	302	280	363	480
Filipino	16	7	3	2
Japanese	55	46	53	56
Malay .. .. .	..	10	..	19
East Indian (b)	5	4	5	6
Indian (c)	165	143	154	192
Thai	1	7	..	11
Syrian	22	..	6	4
Other Asiatic	39	9	9	4
Papuan	7	52	10	53
Polynesian, Melanesian	24	29	19	6
Other Non-European	16	9	13	9
Total Non-European	652	596	635	842
GRAND TOTAL	24,729	10,103	23,167	7,974

(a) Including Maltese and Cypriote.

(b) Native of East Indies.

(c) Native of India.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed.

Country.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Quarter ended March.		Quarter ended March.	
	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.
Great Britain	5,005	1,522	5,088	443
Canada	557	102	277	68
Fiji	416	430	373	191
Hong Kong	444	239	389	381
India and Ceylon	1,560	447	825	268
New Zealand	9,447	3,568	10,988	4,296
Norfolk Island	107	75	86	61
Papua	377	237	293	296
Solomon Islands	62	57	80	28
Straits Settlements	836	468	703	337
Territory of New Guinea	538	458	447	454
Union of South Africa	395	101	351	73
Other British Possessions	234	84	155	86
Total, British Countries	19,978	7,788	20,055	6,982
Egypt	598	313	119	42
France	583	58	350	2
Germany	73	..	28	..
Italy	1,640	924	539	97
Japan	131	105	138	58
Netherlands East Indies	474	300	271	122
New Caledonia	168	98	153	55
Philippine Islands	60	17	38	15
South Sea Islands	23	33	31	51
United States	777	368	1,134	415
Other Foreign Countries	224	99	311	135
Total, Foreign Countries	4,751	2,315	3,112	992
GRAND TOTAL	24,729	10,103	23,167	7,974

Section II.—Production.
PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.
AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total Area under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1933-34 ..	14,901,271	1,373,921	303,761	3,080,680	328,839	22,454,327
1934-35 ..	12,544,178	1,561,553	294,981	3,178,173	322,457	20,428,799
1935-36 ..	11,956,966	1,564,171	297,616	3,007,470	334,910	19,974,042
1936-37 ..	12,316,862	1,524,861	317,710	3,100,876	359,107	20,602,595
1937-38 ..	13,734,951	1,408,422	320,207	2,982,465	358,187	21,951,731
1938-39(a) ..	14,346,380	1,784,205	324,166	3,196,551	368,429	(d)

TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Cane Sugar.(b)
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1933-34 ..	177,337,803	16,922,031	7,494,080	3,582,748	4,898,040	666,145
1934-35 ..	133,393,232	16,906,022	8,100,827	3,810,708	4,498,804	640,589
1935-36 ..	144,217,769	18,720,774	7,467,705	3,497,677	4,500,907	646,541
1936-37 ..	151,389,952	16,662,279	7,246,383	3,447,647	5,445,740	782,834
1937-38 ..	187,255,673	17,165,061	6,816,612	3,423,753	5,494,610	810,319
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	6,999,974	3,125,905	5,678,894	823,086

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(c)	Tons.(c)
1933-34 ..	11.90	12.32	24.67	1.16	20.57	2.80
1934-35 ..	10.63	10.83	27.46	1.20	19.91	2.83
1935-36 ..	12.06	11.97	25.09	1.16	18.84	2.71
1936-37 ..	12.29	10.93	22.81	1.11	21.26	3.06
1937-38 ..	13.63	12.19	21.29	1.15	21.48	3.17
1938-39 ..	10.83	8.72	21.59	0.98	21.65	3.14

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Estimated production for 1939, 838,000 tons. (c) Per acre of productive area. (d) Not yet available.

AREA UNDER WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1934-35	3,892,768	2,458,583	221,729	3,188,225	2,764,373	16,656	1,844	12,544,178
1935-36	3,851,373	2,323,753	239,631	2,989,490	2,540,696	10,404	1,619	11,956,966
1936-37	3,982,864	2,393,827	283,648	3,058,457	2,575,283	21,317	1,466	12,316,862
1937-38	4,464,664	2,686,057	372,935	3,161,739	3,026,420	21,081	2,055	13,734,951
1938-39	4,650,872	2,748,362	442,017	3,080,401	3,412,818	9,849	2,061	14,346,380
1939-40(a)	4,392,000	2,827,417	425,000	2,800,000	2,949,000	8,000	2,000	13,403,417

TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1934-35	48,678,000	25,850,528	4,076,181	27,455,600	26,985,000	307,525	40,398	133,393,232
1935-36	48,822,000	37,552,082	2,690,316	31,615,744	23,315,417	186,014	36,216	144,217,769
1936-37	55,668,000	42,844,816	2,016,236	28,714,653	21,549,000	570,895	26,352	151,389,952
1937-38	55,104,000	48,173,191	3,749,443	43,428,423	36,224,800	526,000	49,809	187,255,666
1938-39	59,898,000	18,104,369	8,583,736	31,674,418	36,843,600	205,263	59,235	155,368,621
1939-40a	76,551,000	45,054,592	6,700,000	41,000,000	41,500,000	193,000	50,000	211,048,592

(a) Subject to revision.

Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1934-35	12.50	10.51	18.38	8.61	9.76	18.46	21.91	10.63
1935-36	12.68	16.16	11.30	10.58	9.18	17.88	22.56	12.06
1936-37	13.98	17.90	7.11	9.39	8.37	26.78	17.98	12.29
1937-38	12.34	17.93	10.05	13.74	11.97	24.90	24.24	13.63
1938-39	12.88	6.59	19.42	10.28	10.79	20.84	23.74	10.83
1939-40a	17.43	15.93	15.76	14.64	14.07	24.00	25.00	15.75

(a) Subject to revision.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria. (a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	A.C.T. (a)	Total.
SHEEP.									
1933	52,104,000	17,195,969	20,072,804	7,941,060	10,322,350	2,035,052	18,076	231,742	109,921,053
1934	53,327,000	16,783,631	21,574,182	7,884,919	11,197,156	2,038,450	23,356	219,349	113,048,037
1935	51,938,000	17,457,291	18,060,093	7,945,745	11,082,972	2,139,000	25,483	228,317	108,875,801
1936	53,166,010	17,663,103	20,011,749	7,905,112	9,007,535	2,233,655	11,162	244,378	110,242,704
1937	51,563,181	18,863,467	22,497,970	8,904,402	8,732,076	2,520,950	26,856	263,616	113,372,518
1938b	48,876,663	17,007,352	23,158,569	9,936,586	9,177,531	2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,832

CATTLE.

1933	3,361,771	2,002,235	5,781,170	352,723	885,669	262,256	859,867	6,790	13,512,486
1934	3,482,831	2,085,080	6,052,641	346,479	911,940	231,588	899,679	8,433	14,048,671
1935	3,388,538	2,091,246	6,033,004	335,354	882,761	270,035	900,535	10,186	13,911,659
1936	3,288,169	2,005,759	5,950,572	328,013	792,508	261,597	855,398	9,856	13,491,372
1937	3,019,581	1,880,429	5,959,165	324,163	740,241	254,812	891,640	8,325	13,078,356
1938b	2,811,884	1,697,295	6,097,039	318,897	767,680	262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781

HORSES.

1933	532,028	361,005	448,918	196,789	159,646	30,299	33,590	950	1,763,225
1934	534,853	357,877	447,804	198,765	161,636	30,662	35,094	1,067	1,767,758
1935	542,862	356,106	441,075	197,368	160,181	30,626	35,152	1,060	1,764,430
1936	545,829	357,158	440,568	200,870	155,177	30,971	31,056	1,121	1,762,750
1937	528,625	359,106	445,916	197,334	151,067	31,578	31,662	1,225	1,746,513
1938b	548,355	343,828	445,296	195,834	143,674	30,458	33,191	1,195	1,741,331

PIGS.

1933	367,116	240,530	217,448	91,573	91,213	38,126	397	464	1,046,867
1934	397,535	265,006	269,873	86,297	97,997	40,291	626	649	1,158,274
1935	436,944	314,301	304,888	93,458	98,026	45,163	555	629	1,293,964
1936	590,780	318,673	290,855	85,048	76,451	40,021	470	454	1,202,752
1937	356,765	285,259	282,941	66,647	64,598	43,067	388	417	1,100,082
1938b	377,344	252,462	325,326	71,292	81,883	45,317	355	573	1,154,052

(a) At 31st March, year following.

(b) Subject to revision.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust. (b)	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1934..	486,152,493	161,146,436	169,989,516	79,288,903	85,118,808	14,200,000	35,000	995,931,156
1935..	496,876,887	156,761,979	174,088,413	77,790,933	95,836,161	14,035,000	35,000	1,015,424,373
1936..	474,359,226	163,397,896	142,793,323	81,709,440	92,458,673	16,300,000	35,000	971,053,563
1937..	505,375,065	163,048,510	153,766,368	76,604,296	69,935,210	14,067,000	35,000	982,831,449
1938..	496,824,150	178,890,131	174,751,280	86,606,388	70,684,855	15,598,500	35,000	1,023,390,304
1939(c)	439,049,939	170,465,895	185,000,000	102,888,121	72,475,000	15,000,000	35,000	984,913,955

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory.

(b) For year ended previous 31st December.

(c) Subject to revision.

NOTE.—The figures for the production of wool published in the table above include amounts representing estimated deficiencies due to understatements in the production returns and other factors. Over the ten years ending 1934-35 these amounts averaged 23,000,000 lb. or 2.4 per cent. of the average production for the Commonwealth. Any discrepancy between the above figures and those published in other official statistical publications is due to these adjustments.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
BUTTER.								
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1933-34..	148,868,448	134,942,177	127,343,160	19,755,685	11,911,912	9,003,800	16,283	451,841,465
1934-35..	146,106,328	147,651,179	133,624,597	18,513,229	13,308,003	10,689,043	15,086	469,907,465
1935-36..	125,169,296	148,132,507	115,920,415	20,964,305	12,908,745	10,613,358	13,349	433,722,475
1936-37..	109,830,751	154,769,391	87,474,757	20,892,369	12,360,924	10,918,278	15,223	396,261,693
1937-38..	120,882,732	141,321,445	118,244,260	22,428,298	15,373,334	11,997,323	14,218	430,261,610
1938-39..	118,820,717	131,838,283	157,377,535	20,716,584	16,244,449	11,835,500	17,415	456,850,483

CHEESE.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1933-34..	9,072,508	8,363,233	13,887,320	5,316,971	285,461	1,551,000	..	38,476,493
1934-35..	8,445,468	10,095,139	12,192,383	6,649,661	643,571	1,948,963	..	39,975,185
1935-36..	7,356,203	10,973,804	9,149,283	8,103,663	865,482	2,150,281	..	38,598,716
1936-37..	7,417,640	13,350,124	7,789,890	12,164,819	1,012,139	2,994,227	..	44,728,839
1937-38..	8,004,873	16,466,038	11,963,445	15,516,879	885,418	3,770,189	..	56,606,842
1938-39..	7,485,907	19,964,773	15,774,103	18,457,598	980,254	3,399,626	..	66,062,261

BACON AND HAM.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.(a)	lb.	lb.	lb.
1933-34..	21,081,586	17,735,453	18,881,267	7,251,509	4,586,343	1,951,651	2,470	71,490,279
1934-35..	19,667,619	16,334,018	21,751,444	6,497,111	4,730,504	2,022,717	1,250	71,004,663
1935-36..	22,067,468	18,165,168	23,198,346	6,783,216	5,465,098	1,984,722	1,170	77,655,178
1936-37..	22,069,860	17,571,792	20,229,728	7,573,620	4,098,448	2,132,464	1,151	73,677,063
1937-38..	21,374,691	16,696,404	19,607,223	6,196,378	4,010,446	2,454,528	520	70,340,190
1938-39..	26,418,687	(b)	(b)	5,949,163	4,232,030	2,237,901	340	(b)

(a) Excluding Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States.
 (b) Not yet available.

QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Coal Black.	Copper.	Pig Iron. (a)	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	fine oz.	ton.	ton.	ton.	ton.	oz.	ton.	ton.
1933 ..	830,332	9,091,976	12,347	336,246	223,479	10,902,594	2,499	114,684
1934 ..	887,490	9,579,033	9,092	487,259	217,883	11,253,631	2,528	81,592
1935 ..	914,736	10,887,954	12,529	698,493	229,211	11,982,385	3,126	122,359
1936 ..	1,178,581	11,370,409	16,083	783,233	212,038	11,976,090	2,963	145,900
1937 ..	1,381,135	12,074,274	19,789	913,406	240,036	13,778,080	3,099	146,740
1938 ..	1,592,034	11,680,159	20,326	929,676	239,590	13,895,541	3,831	163,381
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,352,823	(c)	1,104,605	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
1940 1st Qr.	(b)391,945	(b)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)

(a) Year ended June.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Not yet available.

VALUE(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. (b)	Total.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1934 ..	307,662	597,040	982,636	58,582	5,534,491	48,139	8,124	7,536,674
1935 ..	439,140	768,401	904,755	64,109	5,677,328	73,143	44,458	7,971,334
1936 ..	525,792	1,018,670	1,048,748	66,593	7,326,309	152,291	76,001	10,214,404
1937 ..	595,655	1,266,507	1,104,760	60,372	8,688,921	176,130	(d)100,462	11,993,007
1938 ..	780,958	1,273,351	1,334,783	46,922	10,286,349	195,079	(d)109,168	14,026,615
1939 ..	848,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,895	11,796,085	192,596	(d)163,414	16,002,472

SILVER AND LEAD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1934 ..	2,199,823	370	671,255	..	7,199	43,850	11	2,922,508
1935 ..	3,189,388	642	755,809	..	12,687	63,713	..	4,022,329
1936 ..	3,820,785	525	899,101	357	14,001	215,449	..	4,950,218
1937 ..	4,310,613	491	1,172,531	371	27,844	308,262	(d)328	5,820,440
1938 ..	3,520,465	647	926,614	70	29,477	267,773	..	4,745,046
1939(c)	(e)	(e)	981,641	(e)	32,528	..	..	(e)

(a) With the exception of Gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency. (b) Year ended 30th June.
 (c) Subject to revision. (d) Year ended December. (e) Not yet available.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced—continued.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter. (a)	Total.
COPPER.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1933 ..	26,775	..	105,031	2,928	1,132	395,286	..	531,152
1934 ..	25,398	..	95,903	8,475	..	267,342	..	397,118
1935 ..	30,071	..	101,489	11,065	..	484,007	..	606,632
1936 ..	53,687	..	161,888	22,609	97	556,734	1,871	796,686
1937 ..	72,406	..	308,968	21,620	986	759,332	(c)55	1,163,367
1938 ..	87,905	..	203,967	15,333	1,275	580,238	(c)4,362	893,080
1939(b)	(d)	..	245,531	(d)	1,373	(d)	(c)2,248	(d)

TIN.

1933 ..	218,244	1,350	123,620	..	4,557	190,041	2,519	540,331
1934 ..	328,130	3,886	179,404	..	6,765	219,246	9,566	746,997
1935 ..	287,890	14,475	187,234	..	8,829	253,919	6,036	703,983
1936 ..	268,454	14,750	157,889	..	6,882	206,656	4,176	653,807
1937 ..	336,623	44,127	202,614	..	12,421	260,673	(c)7,205	863,668
1938 ..	286,768	28,650	141,547	..	7,421	244,037	(c)3,205	711,628
1939(b)	(d)	(d)	197,855	..	3,871	(d)	(c)4,487	(d)

COAL (Black and Brown).

1933 ..	4,306,799	600,064	693,383	..	289,806	65,848	..	5,975,900
1934 ..	4,541,923	479,605	752,303	..	278,704	81,262	..	6,133,797
1935 ..	4,887,341	511,771	843,034	..	318,012	86,204	..	6,646,362
1936 ..	5,126,850	577,749	858,732	..	331,565	92,269	..	6,987,165
1937 ..	5,823,469	497,319	934,107	..	340,444	66,883	..	7,662,222
1938 ..	5,603,842	539,822	958,884	..	375,083	61,991	..	7,539,622
1939(b)	6,768,659	550,000	1,000,000	..	362,811	74,460	..	8,755,930

ALL MINERALS.

1933 ..	6,964,834	1,060,437	2,373,251	1,076,434	5,269,194	845,668	18,150	17,607,968
1934 ..	7,766,504	1,092,029	2,713,135	1,713,537	5,884,430	750,389	28,808	19,948,830
1935 ..	9,210,820	1,394,253	2,887,440	2,498,617	6,107,990	1,071,507	76,900	23,247,527
1936 ..	10,136,789	1,623,003	3,613,511	2,513,359	7,771,454	1,624,036	88,601	27,980,753
1937 ..	11,981,891	1,832,195	4,392,492	2,509,449	9,230,182	2,282,365	(c)205,851	32,434,426
1938 ..	10,731,391	1,884,015	3,966,119	2,932,473	10,844,469	1,889,804	(c)214,724	32,462,995

(a) Year ended 30th June.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Year ended December.

(d) Not yet available.

ESTIMATED GROSS VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Agricul- tural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufac- turing. (a)	Total.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1932-33 ..	75,562	64,851	39,622	8,470	15,583	114,136	318,224
1933-34 ..	70,731	95,613	40,306	9,605	17,608	123,355	357,218
1934-35 ..	68,587	74,556	44,763	10,856	19,949	137,638	356,349
1935-36 ..	75,388	91,286	47,533	11,624	23,248	155,891	404,970
1936-37 ..	91,403	105,499	49,886	11,765	27,381	170,811	456,745
1937-38 ..	93,229	100,794	57,641	14,755	32,434	188,061	486,914

(a) Net value. These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which in this table are included with Dairy Farming and Forestry.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	No. of Establish- ments.	Hands Em- ployed. (a)	Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1932-33	22,330	370,727	59,416,436	226,386,729	175,148,548	119,203,148	304,797,868
1933-34	23,297	405,909	64,444,660	227,745,934	189,827,264	129,091,915	330,134,060
1934-35	24,211	449,598	72,824,549	233,481,612	209,047,017	143,816,160	365,201,384
1935-36	24,894	492,771	82,098,288	239,840,993	238,974,794	162,437,363	414,688,466
1936-37	25,688	523,824	90,123,132	246,203,232	260,578,903	177,684,645	451,929,278
1937-38	26,395	559,160	102,078,550	257,998,600	287,243,412	196,488,024	498,779,141

(a) Including Working Proprietors.

(b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1936-37.							
1. Factories .. No.	8,726	9,165	2,883	1,916	2,032	946	25,668
2. Hands employed (a) ..	208,497	191,383	48,216	40,710	22,711	12,431	523,948
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	36,642,444	30,986,895	9,088,637	7,172,638	4,157,733	2,074,785	90,123,132
4. Value of fuel used ..	6,464,942	3,677,488	1,225,255	856,808	939,166	402,071	13,565,730
5. " materials used ..	109,593,494	80,302,423	34,612,231	21,399,805	9,427,259	5,243,691	260,578,903
6. " of production ..	76,753,978	58,712,281	17,184,522	12,271,563	7,946,697	4,815,604	177,684,645
7. " of output of fact's ..	192,812,414	142,692,192	53,022,008	34,528,176	18,313,122	10,461,366	451,829,278
8. " land & buildings ..	51,629,598	38,948,268	11,483,161	8,133,147	6,279,305	3,052,658	119,526,137
9. " plant & mchnry ..	51,979,614	36,213,626	17,460,253	9,130,748	7,142,368	4,760,486	126,677,095

1937-38.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,097	9,241	3,063	1,930	2,066	948	26,395
2. Hands employed (a) ..	224,861	201,793	52,119	44,084	23,133	13,170	559,160
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	42,209,875	34,960,911	10,170,800	8,043,160	4,401,443	2,292,361	102,078,550
4. Value of fuel used ..	7,123,961	4,032,190	1,440,750	949,858	1,095,225	405,721	15,047,705
5. " materials used ..	122,591,463	88,129,145	39,595,695	21,469,924	9,986,441	5,470,744	287,243,412
6. " of production ..	85,168,133	64,839,390	18,602,958	13,820,155	8,562,294	5,445,094	196,488,024
7. " of output of fact's ..	214,883,557	157,050,725	59,639,403	36,239,937	19,643,960	11,321,559	498,779,141
8. " land & buildings ..	54,471,643	40,839,541	11,982,620	8,379,334	6,471,367	2,989,509	124,634,014
9. " plant & mchnry ..	57,222,693	36,868,289	17,734,600	9,402,792	7,459,525	4,676,687	133,364,586

1938-39 (subject to revision).

1. Factories .. No.	9,464	9,250	3,088	2,070	2,129	(c)	(c)
2. Hands employed (a) ..	228,781	201,831	54,000	42,800	23,211		
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	44,606,497	36,026,542	10,900,000	8,500,000	4,573,558		
4. Value of fuel used ..	7,651,627	3,999,934	1,500,000	(c)	1,183,255		
5. " materials used ..	120,501,795	82,971,608	42,780,000	(c)	9,589,670		
6. " of production ..	90,265,891	65,996,069	19,300,000	13,700,000	8,775,586	(c)	(c)
7. " of output of fact's ..	218,419,313	152,967,611	63,580,000	35,000,000	19,548,111		
8. " land & buildings ..	57,353,625	42,026,245	12,326,689	(c)	6,813,653		
9. " plant & mchnry ..	62,692,956	38,626,743	18,144,594	(c)	8,095,064		

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(c) Not yet available.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Class of Industry.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
	£	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..	3,254,149	3,826,059	4,179,984	4,850,039
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	3,471,314	4,163,879	4,686,428	5,437,312
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	9,032,155	9,764,706	11,312,766	11,909,939
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances ..	36,493,829	45,302,857	52,744,592	60,143,682
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	682,754	793,149	857,761	956,652
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	8,233,202	9,594,475	9,828,156	10,262,066
VII. Skins and Leather ..	2,810,540	3,067,796	3,117,433	3,001,056
VIII. Clothing ..	13,073,652	14,014,913	14,625,535	15,867,392
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	32,373,730	34,542,024	36,225,703	40,393,914
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	6,488,731	7,494,826	8,374,617	9,312,921
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..	2,725,772	3,519,107	3,815,257	4,270,599
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	11,320,046	12,017,821	12,794,742	14,188,137
XIII. Rubber ..	2,426,427	2,350,312	2,303,302	2,461,962
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	132,202	132,473	137,594	144,403
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	1,643,070	1,865,749	1,917,630	2,180,438
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	9,654,587	9,987,217	10,763,145	11,107,512
Total ..	143,816,160	162,437,363	177,684,645	196,488,024

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1937-38.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	19.64	22.26	17.05	22.19	22.41	20.25	20.47
Fuel and Light ..	3.32	2.57	2.42	2.62	5.57	3.58	3.02
Materials used ..	57.05	56.11	66.39	59.25	50.84	48.32	57.58
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges ..	19.99	19.06	14.14	15.94	21.18	27.85	18.93
Total output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	49.56	53.88	54.67	58.19	51.40	42.10	51.96

(a) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1934-35—Males ..	208.57	193.31	219.93	190.22	210.66	183.68	202.48
Females ..	90.40	90.27	84.51	80.64	87.30	77.93	89.17
1935-36—Males ..	212.35	198.85	221.90	193.56	212.76	190.86	206.55
Females ..	91.30	93.58	85.80	80.70	86.84	85.33	91.19
1936-37—Males ..	216.29	206.04	225.78	205.31	218.47	198.05	212.48
Females ..	92.71	97.30	86.57	83.21	90.59	86.10	93.67
1937-38—Males ..	230.39	218.89	232.20	212.08	227.42	205.96	224.35
Females ..	99.41	103.62	91.25	85.65	93.36	91.26	99.69

(a) Exclusive of working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1937-38.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Males ..	164,391	136,160	42,337	36,274	18,760	10,680	408,602
Females ..	60,470	65,633	9,782	7,810	4,373	2,490	150,558
Masculinity(a) ..	272	207	433	464	429	429	271

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1933-34 ..	4,481,616	870,955	5,352,571	4,770,663	640,647	5,411,310
1934-35 ..	4,846,060	1,148,190	5,994,250	5,340,159	554,635	5,894,794
1935-36 ..	5,290,675	947,001	6,237,676	5,598,276	708,608	6,306,884
1936-37 ..	5,440,911	833,279	6,274,190	5,611,826	725,755	6,337,581
1937-38 ..	5,911,146	1,217,258	7,128,404	6,078,499	1,014,559	7,093,058
1938-39 ..	5,964,039	746,960	6,710,999	5,989,521	845,192	6,834,713
1938-39 (six months) ..	2,974,295	321,698	3,295,993	2,953,106	378,228	3,331,334
1939-40 (six months) ..	2,712,038	334,951	3,046,989	2,668,548	428,053	3,096,601

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped, States. ,000 omitted.

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns, but are additional.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.
1938-39 (6 months).								
New South Wales	1,505	350	611	570	1,228	355	649	180
Victoria	1,137	135	787	335	459	137	330	148
Queensland	163	220	169	81	245	81	609	32
South Australia	385	118	262	98	1,168	120	586	64
Western Australia	91	91	356	50	32	33	282	74
Tasmania	141	130	38	3	274	142	32	5
Northern Territory	2	6	2	..	2	1	..	..
Total	3,424	1,050	2,225	1,137	3,408	869	2,488	503
1939-40 (6 months).								
New South Wales	1,741	338	611	502	1,597	374	928	170
Victoria	1,265	224	602	313	394	200	222	132
Queensland	172	214	163	74	256	102	557	31
South Australia	556	136	214	122	1,388	121	354	44
Western Australia	110	94	274	52	23	31	267	65
Tasmania	157	143	37	3	302	162	18	5
Northern Territory	1	28	..	2	..	1	..	..
Total	4,002	1,177	1,901	1,068	3,960	991	2,346	447
Total 1938-39	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093
" 1937-38	6,909	2,114	4,366	2,280	7,032	1,877	5,731	1,088
" 1936-37	6,416	1,830	3,656	2,024	6,501	1,597	5,028	933
" 1935-36	5,241	1,964	3,532	1,949	5,541	1,503	5,214	894
" 1934-35	5,070	1,656	2,970	1,722	5,244	1,346	5,221	858

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st MARCH, 1940.

(Subject to adjustment on account of exchange when freight prepaid in Australia—
18 per cent. on refrigerated cargo rates and 25 per cent. on other cargo rates.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator)	5s. per box (56 lb.)
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	1½d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell)	150s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	
Beef	1d. per lb.
Lamb	1½d. per lb.
Mutton	1½d. per lb.
Rabbits and Hares	108s. per ton measurement
Preserved in tins	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Sausage Casings (dried in casks or cases)	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Milk and Cream (condensed)	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

Sugar	75s. per ton measurement.
Jams	75s. per ton measurement.
Jellies	75s. per ton measurement.
Dried Fruits	75s. per ton measurement.
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator)	5s. 3d. per bushel case.
Oranges (bushel cases)	5s. 3d. per bushel case.
Wheat, Unprepared, Parcels	62s. 6d. per ton weight.
Barley, Unprepared	69s. 6d. per ton weight.
Oats, Unprepared	73s. 9d. per ton weight.
Maize, Unprepared	68s. 9d. per ton weight.
Flour, Wheaten	67s. per ton weight.
Bran	75s. 9d. per ton weight.
Pollard	71s. 6d. per ton weight.
Rice (clean, husked)	71s. 6d. per ton weight.
WINE	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.

ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—Calf	¾d. per lb.
Cattle	1½d. per lb.
Sheep	2½d. per lb.
Rabbit	2½d. per lb.
Other	2½d. per lb.
Pearlshell	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy	1½d. per lb.
Scoured and Washed	1½d. per lb.
Tops	1½d. per lb.

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

VEGETABLE SUBSTANCE AND FIBRES—		
Compressed Podder	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
Bark, Tanning (Chopped)	94s. 6d. per ton weight.	
(Ground)	71s. per ton weight.	
Copra	92s. per ton measurement.	
Sandalwood	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
Raw Cotton (in bales)	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per lb.	
APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—		
Apparel and Attire	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
Binder Twine	165s. per ton weight.	
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—		
Oils, Eucalyptus	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
Other	106s. 3d. per ton weight.	
Tallow, Unrefined	106s. 3d. per ton weight.	
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—		
Ore (in casks)	112s. 6d. per ton weight.	
Zinc, Parcels, up to 100 tons	50s. per ton weight.	
Dust (in cases)	225s. per ton weight.	
Sheet (in cases)	98s. 3d. per ton weight.	
Copper, Parcels, up to 100 tons	53s. 6d. per ton weight.	
Lead, Parcels, up to 100 tons	49s. per ton weight.	
Steel, Billets (up to 20 ft.)	62s. 6d. per ton weight.	
„ (over 20 and up to 30 ft.)	71s. 3d. per ton weight.	
Tyres	84s. 6d. per ton weight.	
Tin, Clippings in Ingot form	32s. 3d. per ton weight.	
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—		
Rubber	85s. 3d. per ton measurement.	
Leather	206s. 9d. per ton weight.	
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—		
Timber, Logs up to 40 ft. lengths	28s. 3d. per 100 super. feet.	
„ over 40 and up to 50 ft.	30s. 6d. per 100 super. feet.	
„ over 50 and up to 60 ft. lengths	32s. 9d. per 100 super. feet.	
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30 ft.	20s. 9d. per 100 super. feet.	
EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA AND GLASS		
STATIONERY	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
Fertilizers	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
MISCELLANEOUS—		
Soap	94s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
Casain	148s. 6d. per ton measurement.	
SPECIE	22s. 6d. per cent.	

GENERAL CARGO. 31st MARCH. 1940.

Interstate and New Zealand rates are subject to a "war time risk" surcharge of 10 per cent.

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To—	From—		
	Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Brisbane	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Sydney	21 0	21 0	30 0
Melbourne	30 0	20 0	20 0
Adelaide	38 0	30 0	20 0
Fremantle	<i>48 0a</i> <i>54 6b</i>	43 0	38 0
Hobart	<i>44 6c</i> <i>39 0a</i>	20 0	20 0
Launceston	<i>40 6c</i> <i>34 0a</i>	20 0	18 0
Devonport	40 6c	20 0	18 0
Burnie	34 0a		
Auckland .. .. .	..	38 6	<i>38 6</i> <i>65 6b</i>
Wellington .. .. .	..	38 6d	<i>38 6d</i> <i>65 6e</i>
Lyttleton .. .. .	..	<i>38 6</i> <i>69 0f</i>	<i>38 6</i> <i>74 4f</i>
Dunedin .. .. .	..	<i>38 6</i> <i>69 0f</i>	<i>38 6</i> <i>74 4f</i>
New Hebrides, Solomon Islands (British), and Territory of New Guinea (Rabaul)	66 0	66 0	92 0
Norfolk Island .. .. .	..	55 0	85 0
Papua .. .. .	..	66 0	92 0

- (a) Direct.
(b) Transhipped at Sydney.
(c) Including transshipment.
(d) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement charges, 1s.
(e) Transhipped at Sydney, plus 1s., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.
(f) Transhipped at Wellington, plus 1s., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

States and Territories.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	32,652,791	36,230,461	40,955,861	51,062,364	46,347,953
Victoria	26,345,073	30,616,131	32,593,726	39,222,998	35,455,336
Queensland	6,297,499	6,897,723	6,904,102	8,237,506	7,955,818
South Australia	3,965,070	5,419,732	5,438,429	7,473,802	5,851,043
Western Australia	4,081,152	5,077,847	5,657,562	6,394,342	5,383,710
Tasmania	737,441	997,283	1,032,662	1,539,345	1,133,086
Northern Territory	39,870	13,221	58,120	44,703	29,406
Total	74,119,496	85,252,458	92,640,462	113,975,060	102,156,352

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS.(a)

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

States and Territories.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	37,729,232	47,532,200	57,302,512	48,411,644	45,903,080
Victoria	28,119,827	34,982,544	43,587,646	41,243,667	30,819,012
Queensland	18,840,176	19,561,820	23,893,265	26,558,516	23,651,842
South Australia	11,836,042	15,381,124	16,748,140	19,057,243	14,840,603
Western Australia	15,001,121	16,511,724	17,295,787	19,471,792	17,070,499
Tasmania	1,969,525	2,952,145	3,522,789	2,831,205	3,198,547
Northern Territory	27,411	42,380	26,645	6,053	12,729
Total	113,523,334 (b)	136,963,887 (b)	162,376,784 (b)	157,580,120 (b)	140,496,312 (b)

(a) Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched. (b) Australian currency values. Estimated British currency values were:—1934-35, £stg. 90,654,148; 1935-36, £stg. 109,372,407; 1936-37, £stg. 129,604,313; 1937-38, £stg. 125,837,879; and 1938-39, £stg. 112,201,372.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

Year.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head.								
						Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1934-35	164,773,644	74,119,496	88,197,929	2,456,219	90,654,148	24 11 8	11 2 13	3 2 0	7 4 13	10 6				
1935-36	194,624,865	85,252,458	106,622,378	2,750,029	109,372,407	28 10 8	12 12 7	15 15 11	0 8 2	16 4 1				
1936-37	222,304,780	92,640,462	126,501,534	3,162,784	129,604,313	32 13 5	13 12 4	18 11 9	0 9 4	19 1 1				
1937-38	239,812,939	113,975,060	122,675,945	3,161,934	125,837,879	34 18 9	16 12 1	17 17 5	0 9 3	18 6 8				
1938-39	214,357,724	102,156,352	108,183,167	4,013,205	112,201,372	30 18 10	14 14 11	15 12 4	0 11 7	16 3 11				
1939-40 (nine months)	165,996,024	82,383,176	82,484,833	1,128,015	83,612,848	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board oversea ships. The values of Ships' Stores in Australian currency were:—1934-35, £1,712,547; 1935-36, £1,808,291; 1936-37, £1,740,437; 1937-38, £2,091,249; and 1938-39, £2,105,619. (b) Excluding bullion and specie.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1934-35	72,421,007	1,698,489	74,119,496	82,288,936a	8,365,212	90,654,148b	9,867,929	6,666,723	16,534,652
1935-36	83,521,331	1,731,127	85,252,458	98,529,053a	10,843,354	109,372,407b	15,007,722	9,112,227	24,119,949
1936-37	90,591,580	2,048,882	92,640,462	118,001,123a	11,663,195	129,664,318b	27,409,543	9,614,313	37,023,856
1937-38	111,733,254	2,241,806	113,975,060	112,281,676a	13,556,203	125,837,879b	548,422	11,314,397	11,862,819
1938-39	99,313,150	2,843,202	102,156,352	97,032,575a	15,168,797	112,201,372b	-2,280,575	12,325,595	10,045,020
1939-40 (nine months)	82,383,176	(c)	82,383,176d	83,612,848a	(c)	83,612,848d	1,229,672	(c)	1,229,672d

(a) British currency values. The values in Australian currency were:—1934-35, £103,066,893; 1935-36, £123,407,641; 1936-37, £147,796,407; 1937-38, £140,632,800; 1938-39, £121,533,300; and 1939-40 (nine months), £104,725,092. (b) The values in Australian currency were:—1934-35, £113,523,334; 1935-36, £136,963,887; 1936-37, £162,376,784; 1937-38, £157,580,120; 1938-39, £140,496,312; and 1939-40 (nine months), £104,725,092. (c) Not available for publication. (d) Excluding bullion and specie.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the March Quarters of 1939 and 1940, the six monthly periods of the years 1938-39 and 1939-40, and the financial years 1937-1938 and 1938-39.

Division.	March Quarter.		Nine months.		Financial Year—	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1937-38.	1938-39.
CUSTOMS.	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..	213,873	215,011	862,133	1,051,006	1,175,537	1,166,499
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..	935,548	990,866	3,086,471	3,173,770	4,030,650	4,094,582
3. Sugar ..	1,202	1,951	6,241	5,378	5,385	7,244
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	337,391	344,812	1,043,986	1,218,646	1,283,733	1,385,794
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	714,971	911,103	2,192,366	2,383,610	3,217,548	2,846,137
6. Metals and Machinery ..	623,739	600,016	2,033,993	1,805,361	2,915,886	2,587,561
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	2,513,162	2,940,250	7,454,810	8,815,481	9,652,609	9,968,536
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	110,122	113,291	412,004	349,291	542,381	515,747
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	79,176	113,077	241,891	286,950	318,975	320,195
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	185,728	149,398	591,293	493,441	810,394	765,812
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	93,522	144,663	393,986	429,361	533,428	489,831
12. Leather and Rubber ..	126,623	125,296	359,066	375,464	504,394	483,338
13. Paper and Stationery ..	110,037	118,894	354,766	343,023	504,795	464,555
14. Vehicles ..	645,929	563,089	1,695,840	1,285,207	2,759,929	2,119,365
15. Musical Instruments ..	7,448	4,671	24,774	16,239	23,296	52,002
16. Miscellaneous ..	274,392	346,863	934,431	894,904	1,308,825	1,175,369
Primage ..	1,014,956	1,347,125	3,148,991	3,486,291	4,634,324	4,109,063
Ships' Stores ..	16,387	12,395	45,695	38,548	58,819	64,095
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	22,440	32,640	55,852	119,463	65,816	67,973
Total Customs ..	8,031,646	9,075,421	24,848,589	26,576,434	34,351,724	32,953,748
EXCISE.						
Beer ..	1,921,857	2,547,031	5,759,853	6,855,107	6,934,027	7,341,655
Cigarette Papers ..	112,114	93,020	369,930	392,507	468,992	531,135
Matches ..	18,732	17,355	61,292	66,587	81,520	81,969
Petrol ..	146,109	239,606	430,064	636,082	688,098	583,984
Playing Cards ..	2,491	3,420	8,558	10,849	10,991	11,741
Spirits ..	341,393	331,634	1,295,115	1,471,235	1,784,082	1,801,976
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..	1,454,927	1,595,314	4,500,305	4,927,760	5,592,802	6,286,749
Other Excise, including Licences, &c. ..	20,524	20,800	65,905	81,817	102,088	86,936
Total Excise ..	4,018,147	4,848,180	12,491,022	14,441,934	15,662,550	16,726,145
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	12,049,793	13,923,601	37,339,611	41,018,368	50,014,274	49,379,893
Drawbacks and Re-payments ..	399,889	486,000	1,184,509	1,300,953	1,439,188	1,558,952
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	11,649,904	13,437,601	36,155,102	39,717,415	48,575,086	47,820,941

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES FROM AUSTRALIA IN EACH MONTH—EXPORT PRICE.(a)

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	Year.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Average for Year.(b)
			s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Wool, Greasy ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	1 0.0 0 10.8	1 0.3 0 11.1	0 10.5 0 10.4	0 10.5 1 1.0	0 11.3 1 1.7	0 11.6 1 1.8	0 10.3 1 2.5	0 11.8 1 3.0	0 11.7 1 2.9	0 11.5 ..	0 10.4 ..	0 10.1 ..	0 11.3 ..
Wool, Scoured ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	1 5.5 1 4.8	1 6.3 1 5.5	1 5.8 1 8.0	1 5.8 1 11.3	1 5.6 1 10.4	1 5.2 1 8.9	1 5.6 2 2.2	1 5.8 1 10.4	1 5.0 1 10.7	1 4.8 ..	1 5.2 ..	1 4.5 ..	1 5.4 ..
Sheepskins (with wool)	No.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	4 7.4 4 10.1	5 4.7 5 5.1	5 5.0 6 7.3	5 0.6 7 0.6	3 11.5 6 1.5	3 1.8 4 6.3	2 7.3 4 1.2	2 5.3 4 1.0	2 6.6 4 2.9	2 4.1 ..	3 2.5 ..	3 8.8 ..	3 7.4 ..
Wheat ..	bushel	{ 1938-39 1939-40	3 8.9 2 2.7	3 5.2 2 0.7	3 0.0 2 0.9	2 11.8 2 4.1	2 7.9 2 8.4	2 6.3 2 8.6	2 6.2 3 1.2	2 7.2 2 9.9	2 5.9 3 3.7	2 3.2 ..	2 7.9 ..	2 6.1 ..	2 9.2 ..
Flour ..	cental	{ 1938-39 1939-40	7 7.0 6 1.3	7 3.7 6 2.7	6 11.4 5 8.9	6 6.4 6 5.2	6 5.7 6 10.4	6 2.0 7 1.1	5 9.9 7 10.9	5 5.2 8 2.3	5 9.0 8 9.7	5 9.6 ..	5 9.6 ..	5 9.1 ..	6 3.1 ..
Butter ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	1 2.3 1 1.1	1 1.8 1 0.5	1 0.9 1 1.0	1 0.2 1 0.7	1 0.3 1 0.8	0 11.5 1 0.3	1 0.6 1 2.3	1 1.5 1 1.2	1 1.5 1 2.5	1 1.5 ..	1 1.5 ..	1 0.5 ..	1 0.8 ..
Sugar ..	cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	9 0.2 11 0.0	9 0.2 11 0.0	9 0.0 11 0.0	8 11.7 11 11.3	9 0.0 12 0.0	9 2.6 12 0.0	9 6.9 11 19.3	11 3.5 12 0.0	.. 12 0.0	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	9 0.8 ..
Raisins ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	0 4.5 0 3.6	0 4.2 0 4.6	0 4.2 0 4.3	0 4.2 0 4.2	0 4.4 0 3.7	0 4.0 0 3.4	0 3.7 0 3.1	0 4.0 0 2.8	0 4.5 0 4.6	0 4.3 ..	0 4.2 ..	0 4.0 ..	0 4.3 ..
Wine ..	gal.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	5 11.7 5 5.8	5 6.3 4 8.2	5 3.8 5 4.2	5 2.6 5 1.9	5 5.8 5 6.9	4 9.9 4 4.8	5 7.7 5 11.5	5 4.9 3 7.2	4 10.6 5 6.8	5 0.1 ..	4 8.3 ..	4 11.6 ..	5 3.4 ..
Beef (Chilled) ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	0 4.0 0 3.9	0 4.1 0 3.9	0 4.1 0 3.9	0 4.1 ..	0 3.9 ..	0 4.0 ..	0 4.0 ..	0 3.6 ..	0 4.0 ..	0 4.1 ..	0 3.9 ..	0 3.9 ..	0 4.0 ..
Beef (Frozen) ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	0 3.6 0 3.6	0 3.7 0 3.7	0 3.6 0 3.8	0 3.7 0 3.9	0 3.8 0 4.1	0 4.0 0 4.1	0 3.8 0 4.2	0 3.7 0 4.2	0 3.9 0 4.3	0 4.0 ..	0 3.6 ..	0 3.7 ..	0 3.8 ..
Lamb ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	0 6.9 0 5.8	0 6.8 0 5.9	0 7.0 0 6.4	0 6.9 0 6.5	0 6.8 0 6.6	0 6.7 0 6.3	0 6.3 0 6.1	0 6.5 0 6.1	0 6.4 0 6.5	0 6.6 ..	0 6.4 ..	0 6.2 ..	0 6.7 ..
Mutton ..	lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	0 4.0 0 3.6	0 4.1 0 3.5	0 3.8 0 4.6	0 3.7 0 3.7	0 3.7 0 3.7	0 3.5 0 3.8	0 3.5 0 3.2	0 3.3 0 3.5	0 3.1 0 3.4	0 3.3 ..	0 3.5 ..	0 3.5 ..	0 3.5 ..
Tallow ..	cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	18 5.7 16 9.0	18 10.1 16 7.8	18 2.7 16 10.8	19 2.4 17 11.2	18 5.2 21 1.1	18 7.7 20 5.7	16 8.3 22 6.3	16 9.9 20 2.3	16 1.7 21 9.1	15 0.2 ..	16 5.6 ..	15 7.7 ..	17 2.1 ..
Lead (Pig) ..	cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	21 6.6 22 8.2	23 4.4 20 0.0	20 8.8 20 10.2	21 1.7 22 11.3	22 1.5 23 7.6	21 1.3 23 1.0	22 8.6 23 1.0	20 0.2 22 9.7	20 3.4 21 11.2	21 6.0 ..	20 6.7 ..	21 7.4 ..	21 3.1 ..
Zinc Bars ..	cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	20 1.7 20 2.2	18 10.1 20 0.0	19 7.3 20 8.5	20 10.6 20 2.6	20 8.9 20 8.4	19 6.8 21 6.8	19 11.1 27 1.4	19 4.3 20 1.2	19 9.4 21 1.8	19 5.5 ..	19 7.4 ..	19 9.2 ..	19 10.8 ..
Gold	fine oz.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	8.712 9.244	8.807 9.519	8.929 10.551	9.019 10.550	9.126 10.597	9.189 10.625	9.192 10.636	9.157 10.659	9.158 10.663	9.165 ..	9.163 ..	9.162 ..	9.057 ..

(a) Values in Australian currency.

(b) Average price of total exports for the year.

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES FROM AUSTRALIA IN EACH MONTH—QUANTITIES.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	Year.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Total for Year.
Wool, Greasy ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	43,394 40,782	13,402 16,324	51,476 10,059	84,305 13,494	120,521 107,898	109,557 107,963	53,961 91,167	91,907 104,002	91,798 78,748	53,828 ..	44,712 ..	36,544 ..	795,405 ..
Wool, Scoured ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	5,182 7,105	4,471 5,822	4,901 2,701	5,600 1,081	7,842 5,126	6,446 3,793	3,893 5,292	4,948 6,488	6,181 5,046	3,878 ..	5,251 ..	4,734 ..	63,327 ..
Sheepskins (with wool) ..	1,000 No.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	723 681	837 769	835 466	1,083 1,131	1,518 596	1,809 1,391	1,277 1,204	1,240 1,992	1,230 463	800 ..	687 ..	691 ..	12,730 ..
Wheat ..	1,000 cental	{ 1938-39 1939-40	3,513 1,953	3,857 601	1,822 1,067	1,599 1,881	1,122 1,917	2,503 656	4,485 1,464	4,601 3,354	3,537 3,101	3,721 ..	3,529 ..	3,722 ..	38,011 ..
Flour ..	1,000 cental	{ 1938-39 1939-40	1,113 1,255	1,335 1,448	1,275 795	1,094 1,095	862 1,150	855 908	1,007 1,354	1,074 812	1,563 1,276	1,472 ..	1,443 ..	1,420 ..	14,513 ..
Butter ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	10,099 15,738	12,322 15,853	14,516 19,085	23,066 23,928	27,545 29,501	31,253 35,282	23,983 39,828	12,268 27,190	15,787 21,759	15,354 ..	24,874 ..	18,475 ..	229,542 ..
Sugar ..	ton	{ 1938-39 1939-40	31,643 36,985	73,341 69,432	71,021 82,095	87,995 76,439	67,712 54,290	88,223 38,523	22,127 57,377	565 27,042	47 51,728	134 ..	163 ..	48 ..	443,019 ..
Raisins ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	15,160 8,269	11,048 7,958	6,956 5,475	14,202 2,087	4,359 400	1,167 88	679 294	800 47	1,784 336	22,034 ..	21,922 ..	10,297 ..	110,408 ..
Wine ..	1,000 gal.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	242 275	345 290	320 673	452 861	392 421	385 273	347 6	459 43	184 35	135 ..	234 ..	217 ..	3,712 ..
Beef, Chilled ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	6,650 6,652	5,426 3,665	6,373 2,470	3,343 ..	3,019 ..	3,706 ..	2,716 ..	8,509 ..	6,531 ..	3,244 ..	5,900 ..	4,546 ..	59,963 ..
Beef, Frozen ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	22,220 23,630	27,102 25,161	16,727 24,230	11,581 33,126	15,923 26,152	13,934 20,307	12,366 9,136	18,373 9,023	13,912 9,382	8,812 ..	16,546 ..	23,303 ..	200,799 ..
Lamb ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	2,773 2,720	3,875 6,614	8,320 16,543	39,908 37,577	43,199 59,307	26,580 36,243	14,621 22,917	11,555 9,952	7,167 2,888	3,683 ..	2,427 ..	2,230 ..	157,338 ..
Mutton ..	1,000 lb.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	1,441 2,797	861 5,588	1,078 6,487	2,167 5,602	4,109 4,994	4,104 3,303	4,900 4,921	3,755 3,603	2,782 1,775	711 ..	870 ..	1,480 ..	23,258 ..
Tallow ..	1,000 cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	32 56	35 45	41 23	46 51	44 62	60 94	46 89	54 81	54 60	49 ..	44 ..	59 ..	564 ..
Lead (Pig) ..	1,000 cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	214 159	290 353	444 444	350 412	409 416	266 444	261 403	451 472	370 197	298 ..	422 ..	248 ..	4,023 ..
Zinc Bars ..	1,000 cwt.	{ 1938-39 1939-40	82 62	48 69	96 87	70 80	107 34	76 65	48 72	94 191	89 52	64 ..	52 ..	66 ..	892 ..

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

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IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	336,873	265,997	734,633	680,099
Fresh, Smoked, Potted and Concentrated, &c. ..	94,869	84,049	267,463	232,752
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	2,167	814	5,042	3,539
Potted and Concentrated ..	10,270	14,460	23,997	31,433
Sausage Casings	56,284	105,574	162,899	208,824
Other	389	110	3,393	829
Milk and Cream	233	159	712	2,446
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	19,479	8,741	35,355	31,540
Total, Class I.	520,564	479,904	1,233,494	1,191,462
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN: NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel				
Butter and Cocoa Butter ..	31,218	33,943	92,046	64,784
Cocoa and Chocolate	82,882	129,893	155,168	171,900
Coffee and Chicory	23,607	35,067	56,339	95,431
Confectionery	8,196	5,533	46,323	27,313
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates ..	2,324	14,392	64,461	105,491
Fresh—				
Bananas	3,114	3,278	9,719	10,402
Other	5,304	10,475	8,086	14,180
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i. preserved in liquid	15,883	12,803	52,856	36,161
Ginger	3,648	9,136	18,388	26,756
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	34,564	35,858	56,702	101,609
Prepared—				
Rice	5,569	4,237	10,172	11,621
Other	2,368	1,749	9,108	8,017
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	6,692	12,452	28,020	31,800
Liquorice	2,216	8,619	9,421	15,892
Mustard	114	705	969	3,091
Nuts, Edible	57,946	88,497	199,065	219,176
Pickles and Sauces	4,094	2,901	12,550	6,969
Sago and Tapioca	6,765	10,932	24,715	35,559
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape ..	3,392	10,504	16,050	28,704
Spices	16,092	27,158	42,686	73,338
Sugar Products	10,994	14,855	36,532	32,286
Tea	554,207	875,358	1,882,956	2,467,765
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	58,034	30,859	98,327	168,825
Total, Class II.	939,223	1,379,204	2,930,659	3,757,070

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry ..	8,299	11,691	25,146	25,957
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	4,511	10,006	17,170	17,500
Gin	7,217	13,307	24,354	24,844
Rum	621	3,624	4,180	7,166
Whisky	112,583	284,009	402,267	573,519
Other, including Liqueurs ..	6,593	13,081	19,589	25,392
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling	4,378	5,450	12,539	11,548
Other	4,193	4,454	12,758	10,047
Total, Class III. ..	148,395	345,622	518,003	695,973
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	13,692	18,825	46,443	42,075
Unmanufactured	390,537	574,710	1,291,708	1,456,191
Cigars	4,080	730	12,023	8,861
Cigarettes	4,818	10,085	23,581	28,168
Snuff	39	87	384	369
Total, Class IV. ..	413,166	604,437	1,374,139	1,535,664
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..	56,172	40,581	139,074	92,527
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	2,872	5,363	13,343	16,193
Gut, Imitation and Natural ..	4,400	5,680	18,967	18,205
Hair and Fibre	16,857	47,792	79,313	113,599
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle, Horse ..	47,177	6,381	162,282	61,220
Sheep	6,790	2,570	18,101	8,076
Other	110,719	153,602	336,491	373,103
Silk, Raw	112,399	206,809	313,265	605,646
Wool	284,053	5,047	477,158	78,672
Other Animal Substances ..	12,367	8,612	32,191	27,440
Total, Class VI. ..	597,634	441,856	1,451,111	1,302,154
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Copra	46,721	31,408	131,911	149,654
Cork and Cork Manufactures ..	53,199	57,940	126,010	134,200
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw	80,201	162,710	219,419	344,670
Flax and Hemp, including Phormium Tenax ..	66,105	115,749	200,296	237,537
Kapok	55,273	42,349	157,579	151,327
Other	34,054	63,978	93,462	146,931
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture, Mats, &c. ..	3,811	1,918	38,353	28,563
Gums and Resins	93,096	199,320	271,768	425,886
Pulp for Papermaking ..	43,954	82,106	299,944	200,960
Seeds—				
Gardening and Horticultural Linseed	11,926	17,569	29,180	41,080
Other	106,675	216,702	266,089	420,345
Tanning Substances ..	73,540	36,991	132,183	101,357
Other Vegetable Substances ..	17,114	31,011	50,820	85,415
Total, Class VII. ..	11,952	14,167	27,826	24,669
Total, Class VII. ..	697,621	1,073,918	2,044,840	2,492,594

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
(a) <i>Apparel and Attire.</i>				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. (other than knitted)	27,074	20,276	60,510	49,864
Boots and Shoes	34,845	36,966	150,535	135,994
Buttons	35,491	46,123	92,593	103,974
Furs and other Skins wholly or partly made up and dressed or prepared	14,457	13,067	56,491	37,557
Gloves	141,562	119,591	314,098	270,990
Hats and Caps	38,562	33,885	131,476	141,336
Knitted Articles of Apparel—Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, Underwear, &c.	12,638	11,417	26,425	20,886
Socks and Stockings	14,944	10,722	37,905	29,056
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c.	3,211	4,200	14,989	10,888
Trimmings and Ornaments	97,863	140,561	278,200	315,259
Other Apparel and Attire	122,568	112,139	316,810	268,206
Total, Apparel and Attire	543,215	548,947	1,480,032	1,384,010
(b) <i>Textiles.</i>				
Carpets, Linoleums and other Floor Coverings	436,770	603,405	1,235,894	1,392,498
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys	19,418	22,507	66,129	66,356
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	23,128	63,210	169,156	202,931
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	112,206	170,406	442,326	448,720
Cotton and Linen	1,054,385	1,913,560	3,740,402	4,471,232
Hessian and Other Jute Piece Goods	122,530	405,636	329,566	732,519
Lace for Attire, &c.	37,861	74,866	122,157	155,880
Silk, including Artificial Silk	550,264	1,011,303	1,951,735	2,505,728
Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c.	98,472	136,180	181,880	203,112
Woollens	103,212	109,476	235,333	215,194
Other	292,559	309,599	532,928	527,650
Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c.	45,567	91,186	173,797	207,082
Sewing and Other Cottons, Threads, &c.	130,126	141,199	393,909	342,770
Towels and Towelling	83,822	126,315	277,395	305,629
Other Textiles	64,068	101,114	175,678	227,051
Total, Textiles	3,174,388	5,279,962	10,028,285	12,004,352
(c) <i>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff and Compressed Fodder	48,067	46,629	124,979	88,693
Corn and Flour	149,902	377,390	812,373	1,746,280
Woolpacks	41,387	238,698	224,336	507,374
Other	6,980	6,215	17,280	9,626
Cordage and Twines, excluding Metal Cordage	36,798	61,778	152,809	167,737
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk	125,368	425,839	363,939	733,708
Cotton	90,402	134,713	294,974	337,713
Wool	19,567	14,897	34,635	29,302
Other	13,021	15,032	41,118	32,084
Total, Yarns and Manufactured Fibres	531,492	1,321,191	2,066,443	3,652,517
Total, Class VIII.	4,249,095	7,150,100	13,574,760	17,040,879

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Fats and Waxes, &c.	50,070	109,232	143,746	248,674
Oils—				
Kerosene	180,089	279,941	483,187	633,801
Linseed	3,948	1,762	19,507	9,428
Lubricating (Mineral)	202,946	471,938	556,006	1,092,429
Olive	19,694	21,289	63,674	46,302
Petroleum	1,590,504	2,371,466	4,262,719	5,490,939
Residual and Solar	170,965	319,308	523,940	837,727
Turpentine	25,375	39,981	62,686	108,634
Other	111,704	214,817	342,540	411,429
Total, Class IX.	2,355,295	3,829,734	6,458,005	8,879,363
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	140,123	230,903	409,497	477,863
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c.	3,486	5,041	11,426	13,254
Total, Class X.	143,609	235,944	420,923	491,117
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Natural Pitch	96,522	60,658	253,401	199,028
Stone (including Marble and Slate)—				
Abrasives	41,054	91,377	132,515	169,554
Other Stones	6,239	5,984	23,465	17,562
Other Minerals, &c., including Ores and Concentrates	107,429	139,540	331,826	296,755
Total, Class XI.	251,244	297,559	741,207	682,899
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>				
Electric Machinery and Appliances—				
Batteries and Accumulators	9,268	18,145	30,128	51,585
Cable and Wire, covered	340,722	426,375	940,665	1,009,105
Dynamo Electric Machines	190,570	165,157	630,716	547,763
Lamps, Filament—for Lighting and Heating	40,832	69,485	132,712	147,100
Telegraph Instruments, &c.				
Telephones and Telephone Switchboards	262,328	211,559	774,335	532,844
Other	475,674	381,501	1,242,263	933,428
Agricultural and Horticultural Machinery, &c.	31,035	26,138	183,702	142,959
Dairy Implements and Machinery	40,487	53,267	164,724	164,280
Metal-working Machinery	267,827	347,538	956,146	953,939
Mining Machinery	65,877	66,633	206,857	217,289
Motive-power Machinery (excluding electric)	604,839	677,821	2,021,836	1,647,819
Printing Machinery	49,807	50,951	225,815	150,344
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings	52,753	87,160	165,795	177,623
Sewing Machines	77,986	51,989	270,883	286,052
Sheep-shearing Machinery	1,604	17,494	17,546	25,697
Weighing Machines	16,729	20,185	61,584	38,542
Yarn-making and Textile-making Machinery	102,032	110,130	307,217	233,880
Other Machines and Machinery	702,320	742,343	2,271,295	2,144,589
Total, Machines and Machinery	3,332,690	3,523,871	10,604,224	9,404,838

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY— <i>continued.</i>	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
(b) <i>Metals and Manufactures, other than Machinery.</i>				
Alloys	48,246	132,941	159,152	260,067
Aluminium—				
Blocks, Ingots, Angles, &c. ..	61,848	66,868	146,053	166,928
Bolts and Nuts, Rivets and Washers	16,566	15,945	51,466	37,874
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	106,965	116,788	381,150	286,511
Beams, Channels, Girders, Joists, &c.	947	772	2,796	1,837
Pig and Scrap	144	302	396	775
Pipes and Tubes	109,524	91,087	367,069	212,643
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized—				
Corrugated .. ..	..	..	104,470	356
Flat	1,839	939	81,250	1,825
Plain	153,100	144,700	568,933	331,347
Tinned	478,996	769,105	1,459,788	1,699,073
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c.	1,349	1,668	14,054	2,270
Wire	36,556	32,095	129,865	92,344
Lamps and Lampware	64,148	80,309	178,678	201,455
Leaf and Foil	28,811	45,456	86,799	99,709
Nails	6,947	13,254	24,440	28,803
Pins, Hooks, and Eyes	14,927	26,496	44,400	50,714
Plated Ware and Cutlery	107,004	168,702	393,837	409,200
Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	208,483	284,690	675,558	684,981
Vehicles—				
Cycles and Cycle Parts	103,573	144,243	350,209	336,802
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Bodies and Parts	30,642	32,296	82,619	63,982
Chassis and Parts	2,037,510	2,215,926	5,405,443	4,958,824
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. ..	100,366	85,021	223,311	171,994
Other, and parts	449,819	2,112,147	1,060,166	2,297,645
Other Metals and Metal Manufactures	524,131	607,149	1,628,350	1,501,316
Total, Metals and Manufactures	4,692,441	7,188,899	13,620,252	13,899,275
Total, Class XII.	8,025,131	10,712,770	24,224,476	23,304,113
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.</i>				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c.	330,590	541,840	893,061	1,245,381
Rubber Manufactures—				
Boot and Apparel Elastic, Rubber Thread	37,209	92,524	123,181	202,566
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..	9,459	5,774	27,177	19,542
Other	33,250	42,371	104,673	108,651
Total, Rubber, &c.	410,508	682,509	1,148,092	1,576,140
(b) <i>Leather and Manufactures of Leather.</i>				
Leather	23,896	15,188	56,571	39,993
Leather Manufactures, &c.	16,738	16,836	54,315	40,655
Total, Leather, &c.	40,634	32,024	110,886	80,648
Total, Class XIII.	451,142	714,533	1,258,978	1,656,788

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Timber—				
Dressed	110,754	86,163	201,890	170,526
Undressed	396,954	419,485	1,160,296	1,122,750
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	82,065	77,150	251,800	224,041
Total, Class XIV. ..	589,773	582,798	1,613,986	1,517,317
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CE- MENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Crockery and other Household Ware	108,296	166,691	453,976	439,265
Glass and Glassware	193,233	267,485	715,385	630,535
Other Earthenware, Cements, and Stoneware	111,394	146,904	299,205	332,331
Total, Class XV. ..	412,923	581,080	1,468,566	1,402,131
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STA- TIONERY.				
(a) Paper.				
Millboards and other boards ..	65,290	81,770	183,277	185,382
Parchment	18,764	54,201	54,400	89,722
Printing	678,766	904,687	2,093,489	2,180,034
Wrapping	102,100	152,858	232,335	306,812
Writing and Typewriting ..	116,515	242,461	360,011	460,152
Other	105,114	207,944	334,745	435,415
Total, Paper	1,086,549	1,643,921	3,258,257	3,657,517
(b) Stationery and Paper Manu- factures.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	246,295	295,913	825,621	819,930
Price Lists, Catalogues, Circulars, &c.	21,130	13,166	69,030	44,705
Paperhangings and Wallpapers ..	33,364	45,915	62,846	64,317
Pens and Pencils	35,832	52,925	144,350	150,519
Other Stationery	97,797	113,282	360,729	429,229
Total, Stationery, &c. ..	434,418	521,201	1,462,576	1,508,700
Total, Class XVI. ..	1,520,967	2,165,122	4,720,833	5,166,217
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME- PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Fancy Goods—				
Articles used for games ..	40,536	40,141	146,850	123,134
Toys	15,575	40,443	162,580	179,716
Other	37,117	52,528	186,995	167,002
Jewellery—				
Precious Stones (Unset)—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	72,918	68,561	185,645	178,647
Other	18,893	18,611	75,044	79,529
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.	86,148	129,028	418,447	367,232
Total, Class XVII. ..	271,187	349,312	1,175,561	1,095,260

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c...	157,010	134,256	434,096	408,079
Optical and Meteorological Instruments	28,212	27,520	92,765	87,706
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	91,566	152,450	279,724	337,007
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	16,644	16,867	46,436	50,445
Other Optical and Scientific Instruments	120,569	230,327	384,325	420,817
Total, Class XVIII. ..	414,001	561,420	1,237,346	1,304,054
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids	25,686	32,059	80,659	88,667
Argol	36,664	41,608	175,321	86,240
Cream of Tartar and Substitutes	3,560	10,625	12,273	20,241
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	73,523	59,392	159,919	210,218
Drugs and Medicinal Prepara- tions—				
Proprietary Medicines ..	88,415	87,517	255,808	240,113
Other	60,692	103,576	166,754	207,962
Dyes	77,239	181,827	255,771	326,908
Fertilizers	247,503	211,188	969,348	771,448
Insecticides, Disinfectants, Washes and Dips	14,247	43,988	61,422	106,921
Oils, Essential (non-spirituous) ..	24,922	41,392	81,217	95,060
Perfumery and Toilet Prepara- tions	42,767	74,422	151,359	168,502
Potassium	20,028	38,333	69,804	66,646
Salt	10,603	10,761	39,883	29,629
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash) ..	34,161	38,425	131,822	140,828
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) ..	25,833	34,658	80,465	92,513
Other	54,414	98,225	165,441	215,655
Spirits and Spirituous Prepara- tions—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups	6,070	7,433	16,317	19,377
Other	8,326	15,086	57,866	50,625
Sulphur (Brimstone)	66,262	184,347	377,721	402,272
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	256,638	430,784	799,759	929,846
Total, Class XIX. ..	1,177,553	1,745,646	4,108,929	4,269,671
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Ex- plosives	400,088	279,113	727,561	542,149
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, &c.	35,701	35,851	206,430	178,970
Brushware—				
Vacuum Cleaners (Household)	48,847	106,813	165,467	222,560
Other	17,326	24,386	72,256	64,426
Celluloid Sheets and Articles, n.e.i. of Celluloid, Xylonite, &c. ..	27,363	36,184	94,029	111,011
Goods per parcel post. ..	137,067	108,422	428,799	328,792

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued.</i>	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos	5,858	10,119	23,242	24,343
Player Pianos	46	1,148	154	1,461
Piano and Player Piano Parts	1,077	3,036	6,027	6,266
Other Musical Instruments and				
Parts	29,983	16,232	108,509	57,496
Oilmen's Stores	28,932	53,219	110,901	111,961
Outside Packages	590,326	782,063	1,771,573	1,943,603
Passengers' Personal and House-				
hold Effects	133,833	69,165	310,144	278,855
Packings for Engines, Boilers, &c.	31,321	65,122	102,026	125,755
Soap	11,503	14,681	35,931	46,967
Vessels (Ships), including Fittings	238,788	1,808	519,524	55,544
All other Articles	123,754	157,482	414,179	405,764
Total, Class XX.	1,861,813	1,764,844	5,096,752	4,505,923
Class XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER ; AND BRONZE SPECIE.	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	11,147,483	16,247,195	33,254,765	36,998,950
Victoria	8,730,669	12,391,547	26,737,773	29,035,806
Queensland	1,966,382	2,527,675	6,136,398	6,470,055
South Australia	1,504,043	1,927,786	4,574,557	4,940,320
Western Australia	1,383,465	1,573,379	4,132,374	4,071,338
Tasmania	362,312	379,376	937,712	822,521
Northern Territory	2,154	9,426	18,063	44,186
GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE	25,096,508	35,056,384	75,791,642	82,383,176

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
TOTAL IMPORTS— Merchandise	31,433,376	43,908,122	94,929,031	103,184,928

(a) Not available for publication.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—*continued.***EXPORTS** (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.				
Butter	2,990,560	4,905,992	9,497,429	12,248,090
Butter Substitutes	1,646	1,858	4,035	4,400
Cheese	315,895	484,643	905,655	1,194,226
Eggs	7,653	20,626	657,350	595,546
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams	24,236	75,493	97,451	219,587
Potted or Concentrated	4,560	3,069	13,818	22,625
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	1,065,268	527,969	3,322,546	3,376,246
Lamb	884,731	911,059	4,168,851	5,179,928
Mutton	159,896	144,629	372,631	606,675
Pork	281,527	354,496	582,450	940,769
Rabbits and Hares	31,939	106,334	197,952	233,259
Preserved in Tins	115,927	177,359	350,534	555,877
Sausage Casings	119,953	108,803	379,874	348,760
Other	100,969	126,106	368,405	496,308
Milk and Cream	222,916	325,152	666,411	865,002
Other Animal Foodstuffs	8,127	61,997	33,493	103,081
Total, Class I.	6,335,803	8,335,585	21,618,885	26,990,379
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa and Chocolate, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c.	11,602	12,449	39,348	39,833
Biscuits	14,366	21,894	55,255	79,461
Confectionery	23,209	26,991	75,293	89,997
Fodders	16,274	31,682	52,846	83,827
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants	104,744	18,005	292,666	194,155
Raisins	56,885	10,827	1,004,199	425,783
Other	15,457	20,470	96,778	38,179
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	440,898	164,138	465,298	223,591
Citrus	2,496	2,557	184,030	169,035
Other	128,170	129,853	148,458	144,586
Fruits, preserved in liquid	255,178	135,295	761,000	742,852
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped	62,871	61,603	111,754	81,532
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley	187,694	21,964	279,157	106,436
Wheat	2,669,214	2,023,799	6,487,214	3,620,829
Other	23,649	15,869	86,845	34,168
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps	77,175	39,289	251,198	232,564
Flour (Wheaten)	1,034,593	1,429,453	3,287,101	3,548,511
Rice	38,416	56,601	158,302	233,736
Other	14,406	56,000	59,776	140,339
Infants' and Invalids' Foods .. .. .	..	12	2	87
Jams and Fruit Jellies	34,926	156,078	158,810	325,839
Sugar	227,370	1,642,926	4,171,653	5,746,462
Tea	9,309	10,392	32,443	39,290
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	24,880	38,417	92,102	92,898
Total, Class II.	5,473,782	6,126,564	18,351,528	16,433,990

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	17,258	23,523	60,144	70,277
Spirits (Beverages)	23,839	29,224	112,538	146,424
Wine	267,499	25,386	838,217	744,017
Total, Class III. ..	308,596	78,133	1,010,899	960,718
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	2,107	3,680	9,302	12,724
Tobacco	78,070	40,273	245,701	181,718
Total, Class IV. ..	80,177	43,953	255,003	194,442
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	1,564	1,042	7,785	4,808
Horses	25,624	15,028	92,494	66,106
Sheep	16,681	22,413	54,173	80,201
Other Living Animals ..	3,125	2,319	6,958	4,598
Total, Class V. ..	46,994	40,802	161,410	155,712
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Bêche-de-mer	4,288	109	17,963	1,010
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	26,759	37,013	88,061	104,680
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	219,899	168,844	819,896	573,092
Fox	1,243	1,024	27,505	33,222
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	23,094	26,876	167,570	152,667
Opossum	411	468	11,746	9,058
Rabbit	41,557	97,107	361,043	568,888
Sheep	508,049	794,388	2,014,387	2,223,321
Other	10,287	12,144	22,306	24,959
Pearlshell	65,875	54,056	203,114	184,171
Trochus Shell	11,816	13,442	32,420	31,160
Wool—				
Greasy	11,532,583	16,893,515	31,338,797	32,955,810
Scoured and Tops ..	1,285,639	1,946,399	4,177,346	4,407,289
Other Animal Substances ..	12,164	25,955	47,255	110,957
Total, Class VI. ..	13,743,664	20,071,340	39,329,409	41,380,284
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Copra	2,160	482	6,008	1,603
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw .. ..	..	404	..	404
Other	31,448	38,825	85,686	92,025
Sandalwood	13,042	17,961	30,533	36,566
Seeds	20,881	31,658	49,973	72,443
Tanning Substances ..	6,243	11,188	28,522	31,948
Other Vegetable Substances ..	13,709	11,803	28,448	37,846
Total, Class VII. ..	87,483	112,321	229,170	272,835

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Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE ; (b) TEXTILES ; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Boots and Shoes	4,574	12,332	18,373	28,784
Other Apparel and Attire ..	23,758	36,011	86,495	76,793
Piece Goods	30,234	40,090	115,977	115,046
Other Textiles	24,642	20,761	87,397	69,370
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns ..	58,897	106,076	171,611	242,028
Total, Class VIII. ..	142,105	215,270	479,853	532,021
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes	18,037	61,430	66,984	144,674
Oils	27,663	92,998	102,879	246,952
Tallow, unrefined	127,185	255,531	364,803	564,564
Total, Class IX. ..	172,885	409,959	534,666	956,190
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	40,160	49,048	135,448	124,958
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Coal	84,831	57,550	263,602	212,388
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver-lead ..	87,755	194,087	390,147	545,311
Zinc	256,674	100,440	587,875	440,095
Other	332,034	120,259	796,090	540,533
Other Stones and Minerals ..	25,193	30,887	60,285	92,526
Total, Class XI. ..	786,487	503,223	2,097,999	1,830,853
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>				
Machines and Machinery ..	214,037	340,575	761,579	920,282
(b) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.</i>				
Copper—Ingots, and in matte ..	8,436	12	15,334	7,957
Iron and Steel—Manufactured and partly manufactured ..	563,588	1,222,390	1,355,035	4,450,086
Lead, Pig, and in matte ..	1,112,577	1,181,737	3,253,837	3,641,464
Metals—Scrap, except Iron and Steel	11,039	8,397	49,705	29,542
Platinum, Osmium, &c. ..	633	3,053	1,668	5,297
Tin—Ingots	90,592	47,534	290,649	206,515
Vehicles	83,944	59,959	177,742	150,114
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c. ..	227,945	200,638	709,313	605,073
Other Metals, and manufactures thereof	219,291	280,293	675,083	711,054
Total, Class XII. ..	2,532,082	3,344,588	7,289,945	10,727,384

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	21,030	26,585	62,391	74,693
Leather	152,760	385,281	458,119	894,777
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	10,174	11,747	28,587	28,463
Total, Class XIII. ..	183,964	423,613	549,097	997,933
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber	233,495	143,229	764,440	623,286
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	35,416	56,811	117,738	139,861
Total, Class XIV. ..	268,911	200,040	882,178	763,147
CLASS XV. — EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE	41,747	42,530	162,435	129,698
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATION- ERY.				
Paper	16,523	23,625	57,737	63,282
Stationery	87,309	102,796	278,054	277,284
Total, Class XVI. ..	103,832	126,421	335,791	340,566
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME- PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones, unset, Pearls, Cameos, &c.	20,609	5,172	56,732	28,840
Other Jewellery, Timepieces and Fancy Goods	19,303	27,756	80,231	82,355
Total, Class XVII. ..	39,912	32,928	136,963	111,195
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c... ..	48,662	55,523	159,892	155,811
Photographic Goods and Materials	15,886	13,971	63,245	54,184
Talking Machines, Phonographs, &c.	7,736	8,259	22,826	23,199
Other Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments ..	10,475	18,563	36,440	52,050
Total, Class XVIII. ..	82,759	96,316	282,403	285,244

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine months.	
	1939.	1940.	1938-39.	1939-40.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Casein	880	14,315	6,351	47,683
Fertilizers	5,382	9,393	27,723	46,253
Medicines	43,208	44,974	136,978	156,618
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituous), n.e.i.	11,128	7,956	18,543	30,366
Eucalyptus	9,654	24,938	62,937	84,648
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	9,100	8,940	34,380	32,030
Other Drugs and Chemicals	94,658	123,318	278,111	349,465
Total, Class XIX.	174,010	233,834	565,023	747,063
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	47,975	81,392	160,789	220,780
Goods Exported per parcel post	26,178	6,125	93,146	25,156
Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands	47,284	42,205	153,302	132,171
Oilmen's Stores	17,320	16,529	59,653	59,279
Personal and Household Effects, &c.	24,777	24,312	71,327	67,970
Soap	17,754	21,618	54,881	73,509
Vessels (Ships) transferred abroad	..	..	..	..
All other Articles	78,246	85,162	223,592	211,615
Total, Class XX.	259,534	277,343	816,690	790,480
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	9,701,478	16,148,411	29,116,049	37,378,822
Victoria	7,407,684	10,051,311	22,792,819	25,464,598
Queensland	6,238,834	7,751,403	22,059,823	23,988,363
South Australia	3,340,047	3,240,040	11,197,071	9,789,159
Western Australia	2,828,430	2,637,627	7,801,030	6,562,726
Tasmania	1,384,048	930,327	2,246,435	1,531,022
Northern Territory	4,366	4,692	11,568	10,402
Total { Australian Produce	30,431,646	40,291,745	93,831,367	103,312,253
Other Produce	473,241	472,066	1,393,428	1,412,839
GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE	30,904,887	40,763,811	95,224,795	104,725,092

ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

TOTAL EXPORTS—	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Merchandise	24,674,561	32,545,957	76,027,780	83,612,848

(a) Not available for publication.

**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.(b)
				Greasy.	Scoured.(a)		

QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
1934-35	2,625,189	13,959,412	45,575,814	7,857,598	719,535	1,961,940	2,120,991
1935-36	2,126,462	12,341,620	46,195,876	7,518,329	738,370	1,780,073	1,968,232
1936-37	1,743,094	11,295,563	43,066,812	7,591,595	722,891	2,084,582	2,338,542
1937-38	1,973,456	12,609,420	56,702,254	7,218,255	616,552	2,018,025	2,938,035
1938-39	2,295,428	14,501,304	37,877,414	7,933,846	708,812	1,864,885	2,719,638
1939-40							
9 mths.	2,276,587	10,050,993	15,994,473	5,696,352	491,572	2,336,395	2,064,140

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
1934-35	9,586,776	4,607,383	11,612,368	34,212,495	5,050,787	4,475,709	2,559,605
1935-36	9,832,733	4,519,882	14,050,975	46,203,927	6,135,587	4,465,752	2,481,896
1936-37	8,801,643	5,590,942	18,670,772	55,155,006	7,347,623	5,233,652	3,036,239
1937-38	10,781,124	6,032,488	20,906,601	41,221,729	5,760,950	5,339,981	4,367,064
1938-39	12,891,837	4,540,210	8,734,974	37,304,985	5,324,476	4,807,466	4,323,680
1939-40							
9 mths.	12,248,090	3,548,511	3,620,892	32,960,326	4,405,670	5,787,122	3,376,536

(a) Includes Tops, Noils and Waste.

(b) Includes Veal.

Year.	Bacon and Hams.	Cheese.	Pork.	Fruits Preserved in Liquid— Apples, Peaches, Pineapples, Pears, &c.	Fruits, Dried.		
					Currants.	Raisins, including Sultanias and Lexias.	Apples, Prunes, Apricots, Peaches and Others.

QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
1934-35	15,625	168,294	156,361	626,849	326,190	896,925	54,674
1935-36	17,016	129,726	235,777	495,685	222,766	851,156	41,055
1936-37	17,525	139,236	268,165	648,092	262,958	915,599	25,520
1937-38	16,760	272,454	339,594	864,981	341,669	1,063,780	52,750
1938-39	17,391	359,236	307,164	812,788	532,194	1,109,924	39,144
1939-40							
9 mths.	34,307	371,968	314,000	462,954	120,023	249,539	10,380

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
1934-35	98,825	403,977	401,306	997,160	583,422	1,447,686	134,133
1935-36	109,760	337,467	587,410	805,797	375,923	1,501,146	110,095
1936-37	112,680	383,974	687,043	1,011,994	440,734	1,540,909	77,715
1937-38	117,654	845,110	934,575	1,287,962	570,643	1,968,444	144,269
1938-39	119,994	1,073,931	882,115	1,267,070	772,966	1,974,039	117,649
1939-40							
9 mths.	220,712	1,194,226	941,829	742,753	194,155	425,783	38,115

Section IV.—Finance.

(A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

RECEIPTS. (a).

Sources of Revenue.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37. (f)	1937-38. (f)	1938-39. (f)
TAXATION—	£	£	£	£	£
Customs	25,289,719	28,068,870	28,782,784	32,972,666	31,160,462
Excise	12,579,767	13,368,847	14,210,248	15,410,339	16,471,903
Sales Tax	8,554,076	9,432,483	8,008,427	8,023,886	9,308,334
Flour Tax	798,354	1,150,724	Dr. 12,193	3,025	1,808,972
Land Tax	1,281,424	1,326,991	1,435,465	1,368,444	1,489,436
Probate and Succession Duties	1,507,827	1,472,860	1,792,600	1,872,654	1,915,352
Income Tax	8,761,619	8,775,562	8,556,014	9,398,503	11,882,440
Entertainment Tax	Dr. 599	13	107	1	..
War-time Profits Tax	Dr. 17,663	20,956	..	Dr. 1,033	..
Total Taxation	58,754,524	63,617,306	62,773,452	69,048,485	74,036,899
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Post Office (b)	13,944,930	14,839,044	15,786,617	16,732,201	17,350,491
Railways—					
Trans-Australian	215,012	248,939	270,161	267,754	330,643
North Australian	38,352	30,656	36,440	37,768	50,471
Central Australian	80,985	98,634	122,698	124,417	137,521
Australian Capital Territory	83	5,379	6,994	5,803	7,275
Total Railways	334,432	383,608	436,293	435,742	525,910
Total Business Undertakings	14,279,362	15,222,652	16,222,910	17,167,943	17,876,401
OTHER REVENUE—					
Interest—(a)					
Loans to States for Soldier Land Settlement	1,116,827	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
Other	1,430,570	1,338,510	1,074,423	1,044,076	1,144,014
Copyrights, Patents, Trade Marks	55,209	58,783	62,163	61,435	67,914
Bankruptcy	31,325	29,517	30,569	36,441	30,770
Coinage	133,703	167,719	295,167	362,705	127,764
Defence	40,066	38,025	41,731	29,244	151,208
Civil Aviation	3,703	4,080	4,418	5,556	5,745
Health	18,904	18,090	67,134	17,621	18,204
Commerce and Marine—					
Wool levy (d) .. .. .	..	..	72,805	77,523	74,396
Marine	212,526	218,915	216,406	182,463	158,137
Other	24,372	11,206	Dr. 1,104	..	..
Territories	250,087	313,770	300,253	330,975	355,401
Net Profit, Note Issue	797,344	855,720	898,585	839,883	766,730
Other	210,508	236,211	272,017	242,864	251,207
Balance of Trust Accounts	10,075	72,837	477,048	10,940	..
Total	4,335,219	3,363,383	3,811,615	3,241,726	3,151,490
Grand Total	77,369,105	82,203,341	82,807,977	89,458,154	95,064,790
PER HEAD (e)—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	8 15 4	9 8 6	9 4 6	10 1 2	10 13 10
Business Undertakings	2 2 7	2 5 1	2 7 8	2 10 0	2 11 7
Other	0 12 11	0 9 11	0 11 3	0 9 6	0 9 1
Total	11 10 10	12 3 6	12 3 5	13 0 8	13 14 6

(a) Excludes balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States).

(b) Excludes receipts in respect of State Officers' pensions.

(c) Debt taken over by States on 1st July, 1935, and interest is now paid direct by States.

(d) For Publicity and Research.

(e) Based on mean population of each financial year.

(f) See Note (b) on Page 37.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure. (a)

Departments, &c.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37. (b)	1937-38. (b)	1938-39. (b)
	£	£	£	£	£
Governor-General	27,603	28,240	34,245	35,067	32,765
Parliament	487,985	390,120	505,287	516,494	444,873
Prime Minister	1,499,308	1,307,414	1,263,210	1,510,259	1,355,842
External Affairs	65,512	70,339	63,104	58,263	70,168
Treasury	2,615,881	2,277,647	1,958,085	2,403,259	2,582,362
Attorney-General	223,258	239,702	252,158	263,319	281,497
Interior	1,014,178	1,267,482	972,733	1,018,526	1,275,392
Defence—Military	1,511,543	1,592,868	2,023,372	2,060,732	3,324,650
Navy	1,954,853	2,254,799	2,580,704	2,497,783	2,755,085
Air	485,212	551,171	948,671	1,289,973	1,384,971
Supply and Development	397,752	414,682	436,966	523,550	596,653
Civil Aviation	114,083	102,271	275,563	129,043	328,150
Trade and Customs	881,964	878,762	891,292	993,503	1,064,124
Health	190,681	268,921	241,443	402,003	338,155
Commerce	964,238	978,937	1,122,242	1,149,511	1,208,927
Postmaster-General	12,015,696	12,523,878	13,203,176	13,964,473	15,028,233
Railways	1,160,822	1,016,968	1,076,077	1,140,315	1,351,041
Territories—					
Australian Capital Territory	539,798	566,289	585,869	615,401	637,228
Northern Territory	165,369	190,832	262,113	381,931	402,899
Papua	69,160	68,509	55,821	48,825	48,830
New Guinea	3,578	3,308	13,431	5,058	5,532
Norfolk Island	3,000	7,200	4,409	5,911	5,471
Total, Territories	780,905	836,138	921,643	1,057,126	1,099,960
New Works	1,052,556	3,237,317	4,319,562	3,551,776	6,565,268
War and Repatriation—					
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange	10,692,753	9,689,072	9,730,700	9,714,227	9,664,917
War Pensions	7,369,516	7,549,671	7,910,336	8,094,623	8,227,487
Repatriation	769,579	813,413	896,179	957,805	993,872
Other	186,013	189,243	186,708	181,645	370,536
Total, War, &c.	19,017,861	18,241,399	18,723,953	18,948,300	19,256,812
Payments to or for States—					
Interest on States' Debts	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912
Sinking Fund on States' Debts	1,330,910	1,359,880	1,416,548	1,454,385	1,477,976
Special Grants	2,400,000	2,750,000	2,430,000	2,350,000	2,020,000
Other Grants .. .. .	..	100,000	551,000	450,500	300,000
Grants for Federal Aid Roads	2,465,980	2,778,899	3,039,530	4,149,492	4,266,556
Total to or for States	13,781,802	14,573,691	15,021,990	15,989,289	15,649,444
Invalid and Old-age Pensions	11,762,030	12,797,726	13,998,793	15,798,687	15,991,782
Maternity Allowances	329,321	335,552	370,150	400,004	436,614
Relief to Primary Producers	4,322,856	2,449,597	327,000	262,166	2,014,713
Grand Total	676,657,900	678,635,621	681,531,419	685,963,421	694,437,481
Per head of Population (d)	£11 8 9	£11 12 11	£11 19 8	£12 10 6	£13 12 8

(a) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States). (b) Prior to 1936-37 interest on the Development and Migration Loan and the Brisbane-South Grafton Railway Loan was credited to "Miscellaneous Receipts" in Consolidated Revenue and debited against the Prime Minister's Department and the Department of the Interior respectively. These items are now credited to "Balance of Interest on States' Debts—payable by States" and debited against "Balance of Interest on States' Debts—recoverable from States" in Commonwealth Accounts. (c) Omitting expenditure from excess receipts (see table below). (d) Based on mean population for each financial year.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Excess Receipts.

Particulars.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£
Accumulated balance	6,162,269	713,474	3,567,720	1,276,558	3,494,733
Excess Receipts	711,205	3,567,720	1,276,558	3,494,733	627,309
Total for year	6,873,474	4,281,194	4,844,278	4,771,291	4,122,042
Expenditure from Excess Receipts—					
Grants to States	2,000,000	500,000	500,000	..	..
Defence equipment	4,160,000	..	2,000,000	..	3,494,733
Post Office Works Provision .. .. .	..	..	..	1,000,000	..
Reduction of deficit .. .. .	..	213,474	1,067,720	276,558	..
Total	6,163,000	713,474	3,567,720	1,276,558	3,494,733
Accumulated balance	713,474	3,567,720	1,276,558	3,494,733	627,309

Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

Particulars.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	Total to 30th June, 1939.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Works—						
Shipbuilding Yards and Docks	..	..	..	..	..	733,711
Ship Construction	..	Cr. 120,138	..	..	Cr. 305,351	7,146,192
A.C.T. Works, Services and	105,109	152,837	100,583	Cr. 5,514	Cr. 6,768	7,755,136
Acquisition of Land	..	..	..	..	..	746,416
Parliament House, Canberra	..	..	..	..	..	..
Drill Halls, Stores, Barracks,	2,475	15,426	Cr. 2,877	339,316	97,788	1,017,030
&c.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rifles and Ammunition Re-	..	..	..	..	..	315,300
serve	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arms, Armament and Am-	..	..	..	109,180	530,342	639,522
munition	..	..	..	..	..	101,959
Other Military Services	..	..	..	..	..	..
Naval Bases, Depots, &c.	Cr. 13,765	2,833	Cr. 12,308	56,335	82,248	1,653,199
Equipment for Port Defence	..	..	..	50,635	..	50,635
Fleet Construction	135,484	116,881	..	451,350	521,556	1,608,303
Air Services—	..	..	..	..	..	..
R.A.A.F.	1,790	1,710	..	673,026	436,356	1,578,461
Civil Aviation	20,198	20,273	65	112,550	..	214,291
Buildings and Works, Muni-	..	..	..	..	..	..
tions Production	4,857	11,211	8,530	273,945	243,994	1,729,539
Lighthouses and Lighthouse	..	600	Cr. 3,010	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	639,490
Services	..	..	..	..	..	2,105,625
River Murray Waters Act	..	..	..	..	..	..
Telegraph and Telephone Con-	1,162,415	207,815	300,000	..	..	31,695,198
struction	..	..	..	..	..	..
Post Office Buildings and	..	..	..	..	..	..
Land	78,225	16,440	2,193	Cr. 451	Cr. 1,290	3,493,871
Radio	..	..	..	..	..	56,236
Serum and Health Labora-	..	..	..	..	..	..
tories	605	4,462	460	..	..	80,149
Other Health Services	8,000	4,005	..	..	..	22,964
Repatriation Services	1,468	33,478	1,434	..	..	47,026
Railways—	..	..	..	..	..	..
Trans-Australian	1,197	105,836	358,241	Cr. 938	Cr. 339	7,126,295
North Australian	..	..	..	..	..	1,597,559
Central Australian	104	2,639	..	..	..	2,480,596
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..	28,755
Grafton-South Brisbane	..	Cr. 1,500	..	..	..	2,446,005
Other Expenditure	..	..	..	..	..	200,000
War Service Homes (a)	4,586	10,614	..	..	..	7,329,523
London Offices	..	..	..	..	..	880,190
Acquisition of Properties not	..	..	..	..	..	..
elsewhere included	2	2,728	6,645	Cr. 263	..	137,648
Northern Territory	7,618	32,025	19,127	Cr. 61	..	169,912
Railways, Wharves, Build-	..	..	..	..	..	..
ings, &c.—Papua and New	..	..	..	..	..	..
Guinea	..	Cr. 227	..	..	..	71,329
Mining, Papua	..	5,000	..	..	..	5,000
Assistance to States—	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roads	..	..	..	..	..	249,686
Forestry	64,000	223,000	35,000	..	..	322,000
Mining	75,000	144,750	64,000	..	..	283,750
Unemployment Relief	272,883	363,728	332,880	Cr. 8,895	Cr. 3,822	2,566,505
Miscellaneous	2,582	18,923	..	..	..	21,505
Total Works	1,934,633	1,375,349	1,210,963	2,049,215	1,593,714	89,346,511
Other purposes—						
Loans to External Territories	..	..	..	..	..	..
for Works—	..	..	..	..	..	..
Papua	..	..	..	..	..	53,420
New Guinea	..	..	..	..	..	40,496
Immigration(b)	..	..	..	..	..	1,680,834
Subscription to Capital of	..	..	..	..	..	..
Commonwealth Oil Refinery	..	..	..	..	..	343,751
Subscription to Capital of	..	..	..	..	..	..
Amalgamated Wireless,	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ltd.	..	..	..	..	..	300,000
Advances for Wire and Wire-	..	..	..	..	..	..
netting	..	..	..	..	..	610,838
Wheat Bounty	..	43	..	..	..	3,429,571
Farmers' Debt Adjustment	..	317,000	1,500,000	2,500,000	2,000,000	6,317,000
Total Loan Expenditure	1,934,633	1,692,392	2,710,963	4,549,215	3,593,714	102,122,421

(a) In addition, £13,045,408 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24.

(b) Exclusive of Loans to States for Immigration purposes.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE
AT 31st MARCH, 1940.**

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Commonwealth—	£ (Aust.)	£ (Stg.)	£ (a)	£ (b)
War	174,206,683	90,744,381	..	264,951,064
Works and other Purposes	54,851,679	71,589,396	15,876,718	142,317,793
Total—Commonwealth Pur- poses	229,058,362	162,333,777	15,876,718	407,268,857
Per head of population (c) ..	£32 13 2	£23 2 11	£2 5 3	£58 1 4
State—				
Debts of the States ..	502,168,179	384,180,722	28,175,270	914,524,171
Per head of population (c) ..	£71 15 11	£54 18 6	£4 0 7	£130 15 0
Total Public Debt ..	731,226,541	546,514,499	44,051,988	1,321,793,028
Per head of population ..	£104 5 1	£77 18 4	£6 5 7	£188 9 0

INTEREST PAYABLE.

Commonwealth—	£ (Aust.)	£ (Stg.)	£ (a)	£ (d)
War	6,914,436	(e) 426,008	..	7,340,444
Works and other Purposes	1,797,099	2,961,789	775,930	5,534,818
Total—Commonwealth Pur- poses	8,711,535	(e) 3,387,797	775,930	12,875 262
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 16 1	(e) £4 2 0	£4 17 9	£3 18 7
State—				
Debts of the States (f) ..	17,905,908	14,959,232	1,435,233	34,300,373
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 11 4	£3 17 11	£5 1 11	£3 15 0
Grand Total	26,617,443	(e) 18,347,029	2,211,163	47,175,635
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 12 10	(e) £3 18 7	£5 0 5	£3 16 0

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £ (Stg.).

(b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(c) Based on preliminary estimated aggregate population of the Commonwealth (including A.C.T. and N.T.) and of the six States at 31st March, 1940.

(d) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(e) Excludes suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,221) due to British Government.

(f) Includes contributions payable by Commonwealth and British Governments towards interest on Migration Loans.

AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND BY THE PUBLIC.

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.	Reserve.	
				Amount. (a)	Percentage on total circulation.
	£	£	£	£'000.	%
1934 (b)	21,198,854	25,872,512	47,071,366	15,524	33.0
1935 (b)	20,119,208	27,449,147	47,568,355	15,922	33.5
1936 (b)	18,465,121	28,972,667	47,437,788	(c) 16,001	33.7
1937 (b)	17,194,775	31,008,466	48,203,241	(d) 16,010	33.2
1938 (b)	16,700,228	32,706,922	49,407,150	(d) 16,009	32.4
1939 (e)—October ..	14,385,533	37,139,682	51,525,215	(d) 16,030	31.1
November	14,589,696	37,435,519	52,025,215	(d) 16,030	30.8
December	13,008,630	44,266,585	57,275,215	(d) 16,030	28.0
1940—January	13,219,010	38,806,205	52,025,215	(d) 16,082	30.9
February	14,500,306	37,524,909	52,025,215	(d) 16,082	30.9
March	11,346,941	42,678,274	54,025,215	(d) 16,082	29.8

(a) Includes English sterling. (b) Average of twelve monthly statements. (c) Average of published figures including values expressed in £'s gold, £'s sterling and £'s Australian. (d) £'s Australian. (e) On last Monday in each month.

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	30th March, 1936.	29th March, 1937.	28th March, 1938.	27th March, 1939.	25th March, 1940.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s.	3,802,131	4,141,896	4,066,976	4,112,337	4,502,807
£1	17,819,845	19,765,312	20,677,425	20,994,142	24,075,913
£5	10,369,110	10,812,355	11,251,245	11,495,965	13,502,235
£10	4,941,500	4,825,550	4,934,980	5,094,270	6,316,970
£20	285,300	181,860	129,400	109,060	92,640
£50	1,261,850	1,217,500	1,232,850	1,253,450	1,528,850
£100	2,258,200	2,191,500	2,131,300	2,240,900	2,575,800
£1,000	6,307,000	5,153,000	4,610,000	2,230,000	1,430,000
Held by banks ..	18,459,701	14,884,790	16,885,913	14,821,526	11,346,941
Held by public ..	28,585,235	33,404,183	32,148,263	32,708,598	42,678,274
Total	47,044,936	48,288,973	49,034,176	47,530,124	54,025,215
Reserve	Gold	(a) 320,807	324,521	318,958	341,213
	English Sterling ..	(a) 15,682,141	15,687,142	15,687,141	15,688,391
	Total	(a) 16,002,948	16,011,663	16,006,099	16,029,604
	Percentage on circulation ..	34.02	33.16	32.64	33.73

(a) Valued in Australian Currency.

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1939.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30.6.39.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30.6.39. (a)		Pensions paid during Year. (b)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Amount. £	Per head of Popn. (c)
New South Wales (d)	87,425	41,887	129,312	317	152	s. d. 38 6	s. d. 38 9	6,414,899	46 0
Victoria	67,896	19,471	87,367	361	103	38 5	38 10	4,361,747	46 6
Queensland	29,603	12,070	41,673	292	119	38 4	38 11	2,082,818	41 5
South Australia (e)	22,108	6,749	28,857	367	112	37 6	38 8	1,418,191	47 3
Western Australia	16,278	5,116	21,394	350	110	38 1	38 10	1,062,015	45 11
Tasmania	9,526	3,519	13,045	403	149	38 2	38 10	652,112	55 0
Total	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	38 4	38 10	15,991,782	46 2

(a) In September, 1936, the maximum fortnightly rate was increased to 38s. (b) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (c) Mean population for the financial year. (d) Includes A.C.T. (e) Includes N.T.

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pensions Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension.
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total.	Old-age.	Invalid.		
1910 ..	65,492	(c)	65,492	150	(c)	£ 1,433,585	s. d. 19 1
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	1,847,440	19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,675	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,439	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,912	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,969	31,999	127,968	185	62	3,936,626	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	188	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	70	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,054	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	33 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	126,918	48,803	175,721	210	80	8,252,387	38 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,589	38 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,346	38 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	38 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,304	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	38 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,343	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	38 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	109	10,963,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,030	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,396	299,086	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,687	38 6
1939 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	15,991,782	38 5

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (c) Invalid pension payments commenced 15th December, 1910.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1939.

Place.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.			
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
New South Wales	25,924	8,691	46,701	81,316	2 1 5	0 17 0	1 4 9	
Victoria ..	25,569	8,412	48,264	82,245	1 15 9	0 15 4	1 1 8	
Queensland	8,833	2,615	16,677	28,125	2 2 2	0 15 9	1 4 1	
South Australia	4,517	2,166	8,394	15,077	2 1 6	0 18 4	1 5 3	
Western Australia	7,030	2,225	13,362	22,617	1 19 3	0 16 1	1 3 3	
Tasmania ..	3,339	1,199	7,881	12,419	2 8 5	0 15 0	1 4 0	
United Kingdom ..	1,619	2,108	2,884	6,611	2 6 5	1 6 2	1 11 2	
South Africa	49	26	53	134	1 17 6	1 4 8	1 9 5	
New Zealand	250	126	326	702	1 15 10	1 0 10	1 6 2	
Elsewhere	21	3	23	47	1 15 5	0 15 6	1 4 5	
Total ..	77,151	27,571	144,571	249,293	1 19 10	0 16 6	1 3 8	

SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1939.

Particulars.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
Pensions Current—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Old-age (Members of Forces) ..	1,231	1,007	462	290	349	58	3,397
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	823	731	748	481	434	176	3,393
Dependants ..	1,098	1,105	956	668	510	330	4,667
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	279	138	77	51	62	12	619
Dependants ..	441	225	124	113	99	30	1,032
Total 1938-39 ..	3,872	3,206	2,367	1,603	1,454	606	13,108
1937-38 ..	3,114	2,669	1,975	1,445	1,204	444	10,851
Average Fortnightly Pensions—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Members of Forces ..	1 12 6	1 12 11	1 12 4	1 12 10	1 12 4	1 12 3	1 12 7
Dependants ..	0 17 5	0 17 4	0 16 1	0 16 11	0 17 10	0 14 6	0 16 11
All Pensioners ..	1 6 6	1 6 6	1 4 11	1 5 1	1 6 3	1 1 9	1 5 10

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

(i) WAR PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,427,115	2,534,888	2,592,985	2,634,894	2,661,271	2,674,462
Victoria ..	2,134,218	2,238,734	2,276,024	2,326,414	2,334,448	2,353,107
Queensland ..	780,673	807,070	825,390	857,139	874,872	890,710
South Australia ..	427,365	445,820	464,536	481,068	493,255	497,230
Western Australia ..	627,403	651,797	662,932	680,272	689,528	696,833
Tasmania ..	335,304	361,967	371,568	387,511	397,199	403,747
Elsewhere ..	316,514	319,781	326,793	315,791	310,634	303,200
Total ..	7,048,592	7,360,057	7,520,228	7,683,089	7,761,207	7,819,289

(ii) SERVICE PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1935-36.(a)	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	10,450	66,565	96,327	118,443
Victoria ..	7,557	54,127	84,365	103,292
Queensland ..	3,884	35,465	57,543	72,717
South Australia ..	6,380	37,277	45,028	51,474
Western Australia ..	2,522	23,549	36,344	46,044
Tasmania ..	392	4,728	10,254	15,157
Elsewhere ..	..	3	10	..
Total ..	31,135	221,714	329,871	407,127

(a) Portion of year.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aus.	W.A.	Tasmania.	N.T.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1933 ..	31,699	20,100	11,680	7,048	5,879	3,880	25	80,311
1934 ..	29,960	19,499	10,780	6,783	4,951	3,788	20	75,781
1935 ..	30,354	19,940	10,940	6,409	5,035	3,725	39	76,442
1936 ..	30,463	19,672	11,640	6,613	4,850	3,689	26	76,953
1937 ..	31,086	20,350	12,170	6,854	4,731	4,018	45	79,254
1938 ..	30,440	20,160	12,660	6,656	5,026	4,029	29	79,000
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916
Total since 10.10.12	1,239,246	814,284	460,852	270,920	197,831	132,331	1,023	3,116,542

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1937-38.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
Individuals—	No.	£	£ s. d.	%
Under £201	160,740	163,147	1 0 4	1.8
£201 to £500	63,479	303,288	4 15 7	3.3
£501 to £1,000	38,119	569,390	14 18 9	6.3
£1,001 and over	29,710	4,510,312	151 16 3	49.8
Total Individuals	292,048	5,546,137	18 19 10	61.2
Companies	11,028	3,514,218	318 13 3	38.8
GRAND TOTAL .. ..	..	9,060,355	..	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1936-37.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment year—				
	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners	20,893	20,858	20,665	20,742	21,028
Absentee Owners	2,424	2,511	2,528	2,555	2,584
TOTAL	23,317	23,369	23,193	23,297	23,612
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident	216,348,285	217,335,439	217,603,579	221,124,954	225,774,692
Absentee	1,794,189	2,046,734	1,923,483	1,985,918	1,999,905
TOTAL	218,142,474	219,382,173	219,532,062	223,110,872	227,774,597
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	254,050,276	250,561,965	248,008,473	256,376,660	257,346,942
Absentee	1,994,618	2,286,466	2,115,404	2,156,519	2,167,995
TOTAL	256,044,894	252,848,431	250,123,877	258,533,179	259,514,937
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	793,617	804,382	821,038	909,467	924,749
Absentee Owners	7,979	9,147	8,592	9,760	10,082
TOTAL	801,596	813,529	829,630	919,227	934,831
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	313,593	316,218	313,268	333,903	339,487
Absentee Owners	2,138	2,230	2,483	2,704	3,267
TOTAL	315,731	318,448	315,751	336,607	342,754
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,107,210	1,120,600	1,134,306	1,243,370	1,264,236
Absentee Owners	10,117	11,377	11,075	12,464	13,349
TOTAL	1,117,327	1,131,977	1,145,381	1,255,834	1,277,585
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED a.c.	59,440,005	58,172,616	57,424,176	57,109,422	57,636,000
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per a.c.	1.275d.	1.314d.	1.320d.	1.415d.	1.427d.

(a) Exclusive of Crown Leaseholds.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX.

STATEMENT OF TAX ASSESSED AND RECEIVED TO 30TH JUNE, 1939.

Year ended 30th June—	Tax Assessed.	Fine Accrued.	Tax Paid.	Fine Paid.	Tax and Fine Outstanding.
	£	£	£	£	£
1934	1,130,216	3,511	1,125,194	2,301	6,232
1935	1,134,011	5,476	1,131,717	2,698	5,072
1936	1,149,956	2,631	1,144,611	2,399	5,577
1937	1,265,523	3,227	1,256,765	2,274	9,716
1938	1,271,152	2,546	1,251,480	1,626	20,592
1939	1,427,127	1,918	1,330,181	873	88,991
Total 1910-11 to 1938-39 ..	58,391,213	138,079	58,194,904	126,345	208,043

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable in each month.—Australia.

Month.	1938-39.(a)			1939-40.(b)		
	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(c)	Net Taxable Sales.(c)	Sales Tax Payable.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(c)	Net Taxable Sales.(c)	Sales Tax Payable.(d)
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
July	37,954	14,993	600	32,575	12,591	629
August	41,838	17,260	690	34,480	13,254	662
September	43,192	18,747	798	40,425	16,613	930
Total, September Quarter	122,984	51,000	2,088	107,480	42,458	2,221
October	39,937	16,612	831	40,674	16,778	1,007
November	41,871	17,116	856	36,653	14,304	858
December	43,074	18,173	909	35,828	14,904	894
Total, December Quarter	124,882	51,901	2,596	113,155	45,986	2,759
January	28,091	11,184	559	..	..	..
February	33,282	13,089	654	..	..	..
March	33,639	13,784	689	..	..	..
Total, March Quarter	95,012	38,057	1,902	..	..	..
April	31,598	12,280	614	..	..	..
May	36,233	13,990	699	..	..	..
June	31,811	12,712	636	..	..	..
Total, June Quarter	99,642	38,982	1,949	..	..	..
Total for Year	424,364	170,801	8,077	..	..	..

(a) Final figures to December, 1938. (b) Preliminary figures. (c) Includes imports taxable at Customs House. (d) Figures for 1939-40 excludes sales on which tax was paid subsequent to December, 1939.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia.

Commodity Group.	1938-39 (Six months), July to December.(a)			1939-40 (Six months), July to December.(b)		
	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(c)	Net Taxable Sales.(c)	Sales Tax Payable.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(c)	Net Taxable Sales.(c)	Sales Tax Payable.(d)
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1. Ales, Spirits and Beverages	11,008	3,686	168	9,856	3,637	202
2. Tobacco and preparations thereof	14,033	..	..	14,664	..	..
3. Sugar	1,648	..	..	1,124	..	..
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	43,233	9,545	437	34,148	8,428	475
5. Textiles and Attire	30,581	26,339	1,198	28,014	24,231	1,367
6. Metals and Machinery	47,959	21,320	967	44,979	17,705	994
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes	18,569	1,758	71	17,830	1,375	78
8. Earthenware, etc.	5,434	1,937	88	4,234	1,458	82
9. Drugs and Chemicals	7,340	2,192	101	5,563	1,940	110
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane	9,721	3,756	172	7,204	2,588	145
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	4,315	3,252	149	3,822	2,739	155
12. Leather and Rubber	6,507	2,868	132	6,306	2,754	157
13. Paper and Stationery	8,168	5,042	231	7,110	4,464	251
14. Vehicles	15,774	13,482	611	11,671	9,801	550
15. Musical Instruments	256	186	8	221	162	9
16. Miscellaneous (e)	6,291	2,939	133	4,740	2,207	122
16A. Unclassified (f)	13,834	4,618	210	16,091	4,799	274
17. Unallotted	3,395	181	8	3,058	156	9
Total	247,866	102,901	4,684	220,635	88,444	4,980
States—						
New South Wales	98,452	42,306	1,923	91,660	39,673	2,236
Victoria	77,557	33,694	1,535	70,487	28,282	1,593
Queensland	33,813	12,383	564	25,158	8,368	470
South Australia	18,775	7,532	343	15,641	7,873	329
Western Australia	14,593	5,388	246	13,430	4,802	270
Tasmania	4,654	1,593	73	4,232	1,456	82
Northern Territory	22	5	..	27	10	..
Total	247,866	102,901	4,684	220,635	88,444	4,980

(a) Final figures. For preliminary figures see Quarterly Summary No. 155. (b) Preliminary figures. (c) Includes imports taxable at Customs House. (d) Figures for 1939-40 exclude sales on which tax was paid subsequent to December, 1939. (e) Includes those commodities included in Customs Tariff Schedule 1933-36—Division 16. (f) Relates to returns covering several classes of commodities details for which are not individually specified. Prior to 1st July, 1937, these were included in Division 16.

(B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Government transactions and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board, and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. The Hunter District Water and Sewerage Board, particulars of whose finances were included up to 1937-38, received financial autonomy as from the 1st July, 1938. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

STATE REVENUES, 1938-39.

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation (a) ..	17,500,241	10,085,042	7,678,168	4,116,086	2,897,422	1,778,718	42,950,677
Railways ..	19,946,441	9,348,660	7,638,525	63,165,156	3,586,013	491,791	44,176,586
Tramways (c) ..	4,374,334	101,066	..	..	302,354	..	4,777,754
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,766,898	2,198,866	3,583	1,792,133	1,744,496	19,209	7,525,185
Land ..	1,656,888	387,152	1,513,007	200,539	316,772	69,257	4,143,615
Commonwealth Payments ..	3,012,671	2,127,159	1,096,235	1,623,816	1,043,432	676,859	9,580,172
Interest ..	470,420	1,831,290	1,002,390	905,863	422,506	356,120	5,038,539
All other Sources ..	3,781,842	856,313	1,503,461	500,004	636,665	222,810	7,501,095
Total Revenue ..	52,509,735	26,985,548	19,330,369	12,303,597	10,949,660	3,614,764	125,693,673
Total Revenue per head (e) ..	£ s. d. 19 4 2	£ s. d. 14 7 10	£ s. d. 19 4 0	£ s. d. 20 14 0	£ s. d. 23 13 4	£ s. d. 15 5 2	£ s. d. 18 3 10

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1928-29 AND 1934-35 TO 1938-39.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1929 ..	47,040,553	27,286,329	16,725,682	10,840,914	9,947,951	2,766,434	114,607,863
1935 ..	43,561,341	25,311,036	15,280,022	11,001,578	9,331,430	2,872,148	107,357,555
1936 ..	46,512,208	26,038,340	15,488,991	11,409,325	10,033,721	3,117,602	112,600,187
1937 ..	49,959,085	27,221,267	16,535,038	11,739,306	10,185,433	3,488,524	119,128,653
1938 ..	54,345,715	27,614,982	17,339,731	12,460,938	10,819,042	3,639,755	126,220,161
1939 ..	52,509,735	26,985,548	19,330,369	12,303,597	10,949,660	3,614,764	125,693,673

STATE EXPENDITURES, 1938-39.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	14,552,613	8,229,626	6,649,227	5,130,411	4,352,728	1,243,074	40,157,679
Railways ..	14,297,290	7,693,973	6,623,318	2,703,907	2,903,112	707,199	34,328,799
Tramways (c) ..	3,954,517	..	..	..	251,571	..	4,206,088
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	989,113	979,893	5,051	605,618	823,799	11,287	3,414,741
Education ..	5,438,425	3,123,444	1,768,600	1,055,736	862,694	390,599	12,639,498
Hospitals ..	1,970,345	1,054,377	432,169	457,014	123,299	165,639	4,202,843
Other Charities ..	5,314,789	2,302,445	1,691,649	572,206	339,463	261,305	10,481,857
All other Expenditure	8,445,972	4,389,032	2,746,309	2,176,029	1,513,436	861,665	20,132,443
Total Expenditure ..	54,963,064	27,772,790	19,316,323	12,700,921	11,170,102	3,640,748	129,563,948
Total Expenditure per head (e) ..	£ s. d. 20 2 1	£ s. d. 14 16 3	£ s. d. 19 3 8	£ s. d. 21 7 4	£ s. d. 24 2 10	£ s. d. 15 7 4	£ s. d. 18 15 0

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1928-29 AND 1934-35 TO 1938-39.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1929 ..	48,638,661	27,251,578	16,902,145	11,771,772	10,223,919	2,855,977	117,644,052
1935 ..	46,011,127	25,462,233	15,844,633	10,965,352	9,498,525	2,991,349	110,773,219
1936 ..	48,309,184	26,154,801	16,231,806	11,260,360	9,945,343	3,247,288	115,147,782
1937 ..	49,884,775	27,192,344	16,815,228	11,600,138	10,556,638	3,443,618	119,492,741
1938 ..	54,291,840	27,584,037	17,563,223	12,334,391	10,829,735	3,632,903	126,241,129
1939 ..	54,963,064	27,772,790	19,316,323	12,700,921	11,170,102	3,640,748	129,563,948

(a) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1938-39, see p. 48.
 (b) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (c) Includes Omnibuses, New South Wales. (d) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year. (f) Includes State Development Tax collections from 1st January, 1939—£1,332,754.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1938-39.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria. (a)	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Works—							
Railways ..	2,002,287	353,634	489,603	261,006	64,444	34,558	3,193,662
Tramways (b) ..	Cr. 101,703			82,005	7,828	..	
Roads and Bridges ..	1,850,480	Cr. 22,502	237,017	199,900	Cr. 351	84,945	3,448,118
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	932,891	Cr. 6,137	28,137	129,570	14,168		
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	Cr. 876,193	526,619	260,000	354,590	223,248	..	488,264
Public Buildings ..	1,127,073	199,954	355,069	253,004	114,788	185,226	2,235,114
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 274,116	1,149,592	..	..	1,136,753	76,491	2,088,720
Other Public Works, &c. ..	344,645	149,663	457,610	41,108	24,742	352,476	1,370,244
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (d) ..	Cr. 70,294	Cr. 430,499	74,719	Cr. 337,820	Cr. 54,242	5,931	Cr. 812,205
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	468,944	..	13,405	106,574	38,174	..	627,097
Other ..	3,842	370,211	121,986	71,370	59,436	..	626,845
Other purposes ..	..	Cr. 1,000	4,042	64,789	7,196	..	75,027
Total Works, &c. ..	5,407,856	2,289,535	2,041,588	1,226,096	1,636,184	739,627	13,340,886
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	1 19 7	1 4 5	2 0 7	2 1 3	3 10 9	3 2 5	1 18 7
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits	3,751,691	780,000	..	..	220,442	..	4,752,133
Discounts and Conversion Expenses ..	141,362	72,362	55,442	70,594	33,306	..	373,066
Other ..	..	..	100,000	..	..	..	100,000
Grand Total ..	9,300,909	3,141,897	2,197,030	1,296,690	1,889,932	739,627	18,566,085

(a) Expenditure from Loan and on account of Loan; includes expenditure from Public Account Advances Account, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses, New South Wales. (c) Loans to Local authorities for Tramways. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population of financial year.

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1939.

Heads of Expenditure.	New South Wales.	Victoria. (a)	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Works—							
Railways and Tramways ..	160,211	75,988	65,097	38,490	26,724	7,307	373,817
Roads and Bridges ..	19,806	12,431	4,306	3,768	2,935	7,091	91,488
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	21,343	1,405	2,760	8,307	7,336		
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	40,535	30,624	611	18,650	13,656	..	104,076
Public Buildings ..	15,498	6,886	5,976	3,990	2,203	2,416	36,969
Electricity Supply ..	1,786	17,839	..	..	1,841	5,802	27,268
Other Public Works, &c. (b) ..	26,758	14,282	24,730	7,753	3,053	3,721	80,297
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (c) ..	12,229	43,951	4,559	12,487	17,930	3,306	94,462
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	17,603	..	2,109	9,142	3,113	..	31,967
Other ..	7,721	4,077	8,918	2,127	13,498	..	36,341
Other purposes ..	..	132	813	3,568	3,310	101	8,224
Total Works ..	323,490	207,615	119,879	108,582	95,599	29,744	884,909
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits	40,861	4,864	5,826	8,609	11,971	835	72,966
Other (d) ..	17,578	5,735	9,384	1,196	4,064	..	37,957
Grand Total ..	381,929	218,214	135,089	118,387	111,634	30,579	995,832

(a) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (b) Includes Loans to Local Bodies and Unemployment Relief. (c) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldiers' Land Settlement. (d) Discounts and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1939.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (c)
New South Wales ..	188,379	158,752	12,713	359,844	6,435	5,918	616	12,969
Victoria ..	112,701	62,498	4,499	179,698	4,183	2,404	221	6,808
Queensland ..	57,611	62,816	7,076	127,503	2,036	2,787	405	5,228
South Australia ..	64,238	42,916	1,733	108,887	2,368	1,676	87	4,131
Western Australia ..	49,475	43,983	2,015	95,473	1,730	1,688	101	3,519
Tasmania ..	12,776	13,363	228	26,367	489	490	11	990
Total ..	485,180	384,328	28,264	897,772	17,241	14,963	1,441	33,645

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £ (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable, takes no account of exchange.

(C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Nine months ended March.					
	1938-39.			1939-40.		
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	40,412	44,263	— 3,851	42,356	46,721	— 4,365
Victoria ..	16,695	19,512	— 2,817	16,792	19,524	— 2,732
Queensland ..	13,384	13,694	— 310	14,318	14,829	— 511
South Australia ..	8,613	9,328	— 715	8,862	9,599	— 737
Western Australia ..	8,013	8,383	— 370	7,996	8,414	— 418
Tasmania ..	2,359	2,502	— 143	2,085	2,021	+ 14
Total, Six States ..	89,476	97,682	— 8,206	92,359	101,108	— 8,749
Commonwealth ..	64,643	66,474	— 1,831	76,271	74,216	+ 2,055
Grand Total (a) ..	146,915	156,952	— 10,037	161,426	168,120	— 6,694

(a) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals are exclusive of payments by Commonwealth to the States on account of interest on States' debts and disabilities grants.

TAXATION REVENUE AND ADMINISTRATIVE, ETC., EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Revenue from Taxation.		Expenditure—Administration, Works and Social Services including Unemployment Relief.	
	Nine months ended March.			
	1938-39.	1939-40.	1938-39.	1939-40.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	10,022	(a) 10,643	15,687	17,494
Victoria	5,310	5,396	7,452	7,267
Queensland	4,046	(e) 5,023	4,480	5,298
South Australia	(b) 2,519	(b) 2,793	2,988	3,167
Western Australia	(c) 1,968	(c) 2,036	2,105	2,120
Tasmania	1,011	(f) 964	1,172	1,169
Total, Six States	24,876	26,855	33,884	36,515
Commonwealth	49,033	60,138	(d) 31,500	(d)(g) 37,204
Grand Total	73,909	86,993	65,384	73,719

(a) Unemployment Relief and Social Services Taxes have replaced Wages and Special Income Taxes as from September, 1939. (b) Funds for Unemployment Relief raised by increased Income Tax rates. (c) Includes "Financial Emergency" Tax. (d) Excludes Territories and payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. (e) Includes State Development Tax. (f) Reductions in 1939-40 figures are largely due to the separation of the railway transactions from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, as prescribed by the *Transport Act 1938*, and to the allocation of Land Tax, Motor Tax and Motor Licence Fees, &c. to the Transport Commission. (g) Includes War expenditure.

BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

State, &c.	Revenue.		Expenditure.	
	Nine months ended March.			
	1938-39. £'000.	1939-40. £'000.	1938-39. £'000.	1939-40. £'000.
New South Wales (b)	22,105	23,614	16,640	16,889
Victoria (c)	7,034	7,567	5,817	6,012
Queensland (d)	5,767	6,077	4,484	4,647
South Australia	3,774	3,754	2,473	2,483
Western Australia	4,238	4,133	2,943	2,879
Tasmania	342	(e) 6	541	(e) 14
Total, Six States	43,260	45,151	32,898	32,924
Commonwealth	13,380	13,615	9,472	9,616
Grand Total	56,640	58,766	42,370	42,540

(a) Excludes Interest, &c., charges. (b) Includes Main Roads Department. (c) Railways and State Coal Mine. (d) Railways only. (e) See Note (f) above. (f) Railways

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1938-39.^(a)

State.	Customs and Excise.	Income and Dividend Tax.	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties.	Other Taxes on Income. (b)	Motor Taxes.	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
(i) TOTAL.									
New South Wales ..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria ..	..	6,339,215	2,154	2,364,124	1,286,124	6,369,519	2,762,678	1,139,105	20,262,919
Queensland ..	..	4,370,656	482,336	1,374,355	959,727	1,879,852	1,913,689	1,042,625	12,023,240
South Australia ..	..	3,157,249	401,682	677,037	610,110	2,451,354	939,757	409,264	8,646,453
Western Australia ..	..	2,102,928	321,482	366,526	249,729	..	715,944	442,455	4,199,064
Tasmania ..	..	880,300	115,229	123,798	274,995	1,478,767	(c) 453,053	292,856	3,618,998
Total States Commonwealth	47,632,365	11,882,440	1,489,436	5,000,509	3,465,517	12,537,265	175,591	(d) 551,161	74,036,899
Grand Total	47,632,365	29,162,411	2,897,388	6,915,861	3,465,517	12,537,265	6,960,712	14,994,772	124,566,291

(ii) PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales ..	..	2 6 4	..	0 17 4	0 9 5	2 6 7	1 0 3	0 8 4	7 8 3
Victoria ..	..	2 6 7	0 5 2	0 14 8	0 10 3	1 0 1	1 0 5	0 11 1	6 8 3
Queensland ..	..	3 2 9	0 8 0	0 13 5	0 12 1	2 8 9	0 18 8	0 8 1	8 11 9
South Australia ..	..	3 10 9	0 10 10	0 12 4	0 8 5	..	1 4 1	0 14 10	7 1 3
Western Australia ..	..	1 18 0	0 5 0	0 5 4	0 11 11	3 3 11	0 19 7	0 12 8	7 16 5
Tasmania ..	..	1 16 3	0 7 2	0 8 0	0 7 2	1 10 3	0 14 10	2 6 6	7 10 2
Total States Commonwealth	6 17 7	2 10 0	0 4 1	0 14 6	0 10 1	1 16 3	1 0 2	0 11 2	7 6 3
Grand Total	6 17 7	1 14 4	0 4 4	0 5 6	..	..	..	1 12 0	10 13 9

(a) The foregoing particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. (b) Includes Special Income and Wages, Financial Emergency, Unemployment Relief, State Development and Hospital Taxes. (c) Includes Motor Tax collected outside Metropolitan Area by Local Government bodies. (d) Includes Income Tax on Lottery prizes.

TAXATION.—TOTAL COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.			Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Other.(a)	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£
1934 ..	34,254,842	22,153,886	56,408,728	34,401,001	90,809,729
1935 ..	37,869,486	20,885,038	58,754,524	36,461,255	95,215,779
1936 ..	41,437,717	22,179,589	63,617,306	40,981,823	104,599,129
1937 ..	42,993,032	19,780,420	62,773,452	45,457,135	108,230,587
1938 ..	48,383,005	20,665,480	69,048,485	49,692,793	118,741,278
1939 ..	47,632,365	26,404,534	74,036,899	50,529,392	124,566,291

(a) Includes Sales Tax, £8,695,689 in 1933-34; £8,554,076 in 1934-35; £9,432,468 in 1935-36; £8,008,427 in 1936-37; £8,023,886 in 1937-38; £9,308,334 in 1938-39; also Flour Tax, £798,354 in 1934-35; £1,150,738 in 1935-36; Dr. £12,193 in 1936-37; £3,025 in 1937-38; £1,808,972 in 1938-39.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PER HEAD.

Year ended 30th June—	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.(a)			Taxation by State Governments. (b)	Total Taxation. (a)
	Customs and Excise.	Other.(c)	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1934 ..	5 2 11	3 6 7	8 9 6	5 3 7	13 12 11
1935 ..	5 13 0	3 2 4	8 15 4	5 9 0	14 4 1
1936 ..	6 2 9	3 5 9	9 8 6	6 1 8	15 9 11
1937 ..	6 6 4	2 18 2	9 4 6	6 13 11	15 18 1
1938 ..	7 1 0	3 0 2	10 1 2	7 5 2	17 6 0
1939 ..	6 17 7	3 16 2	10 13 9	7 6 3	17 19 7

(a) Based on mean population of Commonwealth for each financial year. (b) Based on aggregate population of the six States, mean for each financial year. (c) Inclusive of Sales Tax, £1 6s. 2d. per head in 1933-34; £1 5s. 4d. in 1934-35; £1 7s. 11d. in 1935-36; £1 3s. 6d. in 1936-37; £1 3s. 5d. in 1937-38; £1 6s. 9d. in 1938-39; also Flour Tax 2s. 5d. per head in 1934-35; 3s. 5d. in 1935-36; 5s. 3d. in 1938-39.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.—(i) TOTAL DEBT.

NOTE.—In the following statements of Public Debt and Interest payable, the units of currency are—

For debt maturing in and interest payable in Australia—£1 Australian.

For debt maturing in and interest payable in London—£1 Sterling.

For debt maturing in and interest payable in New York—Payable in terms of Dollars. For the purposes of these tables, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £ (Stg.).

Particulars.		Where Redeem-able.	At 30th June—				
			1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
PUBLIC DEBT.							
Commonwealth—			£ (a)	£ (a)	£ (a)	£ (a)	£ (a)
War Debt	..	Australia	187,716,301	186,361,597	183,063,205	179,058,853	175,193,890
		London	90,744,381	90,744,381	90,744,381	90,744,381	90,744,381
		New York	..	..	..	..	..
Works, &c.	..	Australia	32,563,862	31,930,376	31,755,432	37,341,609	43,302,598
		London	66,488,760	65,540,946	65,034,246	67,619,246	72,096,566
		New York	16,526,641	16,351,176	16,201,952	16,080,972	15,913,501
Total	..	Australia	220,280,163	218,291,973	214,818,637	216,400,462	218,496,483
		London	157,233,141	156,285,327	155,778,627	158,363,627	162,840,947
		New York	16,526,641	16,351,176	16,201,952	16,080,972	15,913,501
Total (b)	..	..	394,039,945	390,928,476	386,799,216	390,845,061	397,250,931
State	..	Australia	429,701,893	447,258,509	459,579,899	469,742,248	485,179,757
		London	389,223,822	388,575,335	387,633,735	385,888,993	384,327,833
		New York	29,038,036	28,908,661	28,747,909	28,549,461	28,264,451
Total (b)	..	..	847,963,751	864,742,505	875,961,543	884,180,702	897,772,041
Grand Total	..	Australia	649,982,056	665,550,482	674,398,536	686,142,710	703,676,240
		London	546,456,963	544,860,662	543,412,362	544,252,620	547,168,780
		New York	45,564,677	45,259,837	44,949,861	44,630,433	44,177,952
Total (b)	..	..	1,242,003,696	1,255,670,981	1,262,760,759	1,275,025,763	1,295,022,972

(a) See note at head of this table. (b) Total "face" or "book" value of the Public Debt, leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(ii) DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Particulars.	Where Redeem-able.	At 30th June—				
		1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
PER HEAD OF POPULATION.						
Commonwealth—		(a) £ s. d.	(a) £ s. d.	(a) £ s. d.	(a) £ s. d.	(a) £ s. d.
War Debt ..	Australia	27 18 4	27 10 2	26 15 11	25 19 6	25 3 4
	London	13 9 11	13 7 10	13 5 8	13 3 3	13 0 9
	New York	..	..	..	..	..
Works, &c. ..	Australia	4 16 10	4 14 3	4 13 0	5 8 4	6 4 5
	London	9 17 9	9 13 6	9 10 5	9 16 2	10 7 2
	New York	2 9 2	2 8 3	2 7 5	2 6 8	2 5 9
Total ..	Australia	32 15 2	32 4 5	31 8 11	31 7 10	31 7 9
	London	23 7 8	23 1 4	22 16 1	22 19 5	23 7 11
	New York	2 9 2	2 8 3	2 7 5	2 6 8	2 5 9
Total (b) ..	..	58 12 0	57 14 0	56 12 5	56 13 11	57 1 5
State ..	Australia	64 0 10	66 3 3	67 8 7	68 6 3	69 17 8
	London	58 0 1	57 9 7	56 17 6	56 2 4	55 7 2
	New York	4 6 7	4 5 6	4 4 4	4 3 0	4 1 5
Total (b) ..	..	126 7 6	127 18 4	128 10 5	128 11 7	129 6 3
Grand Total ..	Australia	96 13 3	98 4 7	98 14 5	99 10 8	101 1 10
	London	81 5 4	80 8 4	79 10 11	78 19 0	78 12 1
	New York	6 15 6	6 13 8	6 11 7	6 9 6	6 6 11
Total (b) ..	..	184 14 1	185 6 7	184 16 11	184 19 2	186 0 10

(a) See note at head of preceding table. (b) Based on total "face" or "book" value of Public Debts, leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(iii)—INTEREST PAYABLE.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
INTEREST PAYABLE.						
Commonwealth ..		£(a)	£(a)	£(a)	£(a)	£(a)
	Australia	8,433,132	8,363,055	8,245,897	8,301,752	8,344,627
	London(b)	3,108,395	3,077,601	3,040,262	3,201,299	3,403,554
	New York	805,973	797,954	790,935	785,240	777,586
Total (c) ..	..	12,347,500	12,238,610	12,077,094	12,288,291	12,525,767
State ..						
	Australia	15,297,303	15,841,783	16,333,969	16,715,028	17,240,238
	London	15,883,742	15,407,943	15,070,888	15,010,049	14,962,882
	New York	1,480,500	1,474,208	1,466,264	1,456,415	1,441,476
Total (c) ..	..	32,661,545	32,723,934	32,871,121	33,181,492	33,644,596
Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..						
	Australia	23,730,435	24,204,838	24,579,866	25,016,780	25,584,865
	London(b)	18,992,137	18,485,544	18,111,150	18,211,348	18,366,436
	New York	2,286,473	2,272,162	2,257,199	2,241,655	2,219,062
Total (c) ..	..	45,009,045	44,962,544	44,948,215	45,469,783	46,170,363

(a) See note at head of first table on page 49.

(b) Excludes suspended interest (£3,919,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,221).

(c) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange.

(iv)—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

Particulars.		Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
			1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.							
Commonwealth and State	Australia	(a)£ s. d. 3 13 0	(a)£ s. d. 3 12 9	(a)£ s. d. 3 12 11	(a)£ s. d. 3 12 11	(a)£ s. d. 3 12 9
		London (b)	4 1 5	3 19 5	3 18 1	3 18 5	3 18 7
		New York	5 0 4	5 0 5	5 0 5	5 0 5	5 0 6
		Total (c)	..	3 17 5	3 16 6	3 16 0	3 16 1	3 16 0

(a) See note at head of first table on page 49.

(b) See note (b) to previous table (iii).

(c) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable, taking no account of exchange.

(v)—SHORT TERM DEBT.(a)

Debt.	Where redeemable.	At—								
		30th June, 1932.	30th June, 1933.	30th June, 1934.	30th June, 1935.	30th June, 1936.	30th June, 1937.	30th June, 1938.	30th June, 1939.	31st March, 1940.
Commonwealth	Australia	£'000.(b) 6,330	£'000.(b) 3,500	£'000.(b)	£'000.(b)	£'000.(b)	£'000.(b)	£'000.(b)	£'000.(b)	£'000.(b)
	London	10,220	10,220	10,220	10,220	10,220	9,720	5,495	4,220	3,970
State ..	Australia	38,660	45,375	48,469	45,124	47,013	46,408	46,598	50,228	51,376
	London	27,105	23,905	23,405	23,405	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155
Total ..	Australia	44,990	48,875	48,469	45,124	47,013	46,408	46,598	50,228	51,376
	London	37,325	34,125	33,625	33,625	33,375	32,875	28,650	27,375	27,125

(a) Exclusive of Overdrafts.

(b) See note at head of first table on page 49.

(D.) BANKING.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA.(a)

Quarter ended.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.(b)	Bearing Interest.(c)	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
June, 1935 ..	169,063	2,950,562	24,773,231	119,086,856	224,262,006	343,348,862	371,241,718
June, 1936 ..	167,447	3,046,980	18,324,742	122,629,362	221,174,769	343,804,131	365,343,300
June, 1937 ..	167,360	3,125,178	26,268,185	138,299,384	236,787,625	375,087,009	404,647,732
June, 1938 ..	167,212	3,307,533	21,012,191	141,044,095	250,499,233	391,543,328	416,030,264
June, 1939 ..	167,097	3,448,553	20,363,329	140,225,435	250,561,218	390,786,653	414,765,632
Sept., 1939 ..	167,025	3,443,798	21,194,998	135,702,721	247,932,285	383,635,006	408,440,827
Dec., 1939 ..	166,904	3,851,359	26,622,107	149,342,864	247,289,764	396,632,628	427,272,998
March, 1940	166,890	4,068,928	34,555,671	163,898,909	261,571,113	425,470,022	464,261,611

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank (General Bank, but not Savings Bank).

(b) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) deducted.

(c) Includes Inscribed deposit stock of the Queensland National and E. S. A. Banks.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.(a)

Quarter ended—	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities.	Land and House Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Discounts, Overdrafts and all other assets. (b)	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
June, 1935	2,719,214	42,254,523	c97,277,582	9,627,710	3,022,380	1,840,375	280,840,132	437,581,916
June, 1936	3,126,679	34,658,347	c85,123,373	9,797,759	2,857,331	1,914,557	292,466,690	429,944,736
June, 1937	3,370,102	41,049,603	c89,181,706	10,160,012	2,866,532	2,215,608	294,723,244	443,566,807
June, 1938	3,813,396	35,564,117	86,840,366	10,742,379	3,003,098	2,257,228	c323,201,132	465,421,716
June, 1939	4,416,510	32,046,111	93,820,443	11,187,055	2,898,238	2,254,002	c332,688,203	479,310,562
Sept., 1939	4,341,557	31,984,749	95,474,702	11,347,162	2,802,302	1,953,043	c336,844,522	484,748,037
Dec., 1939	3,958,947	38,065,707	102,403,096	11,438,742	3,283,152	2,416,125	c337,380,965	498,946,734
Mar., 1940	3,967,960	45,873,875	118,236,521	11,487,861	3,954,223	2,322,490	c334,846,225	520,689,155

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank (General Bank, but not Savings Bank).

(b) Includes certain short-term loans, not secured by Treasury Bills, &c., made by the Commonwealth Bank, mainly to Governments, Semi-Governmental and Municipal Authorities, &c.

(c) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) deducted.

SAVINGS BANKS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Aust. Cap. Ter.	Total.
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AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
30.6.30..	82,466	69,367	23,901	24,012	11,729	5,699	49	238	217,511
30.6.31..	69,811	63,243	22,354	21,422	10,867	5,366	43	269	193,375
30.6.32..	71,648	65,680	22,952	21,567	10,218	5,586	40	275	197,966
30.6.33..	72,308	67,814	23,453	22,515	10,064	5,865	38	225	202,282
30.6.34..	75,714	69,971	24,834	23,438	10,399	6,039	44	237	210,676
30.6.35..	77,906	72,019	26,196	24,185	10,929	6,430	54	230	217,949
30.6.36..	80,000	73,890	27,132	25,308	11,517	6,818	58	239	224,962
30.6.37..	81,952	75,721	27,304	26,506	11,835	7,215	59	259	230,851
30.6.38..	86,016	78,877	28,206	27,244	12,037	7,692	68	292	240,432
30.6.39..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1939—									
Jan. ..	86,824	80,045	28,950	27,119	12,190	8,048	76	308	243,560
Feb. ..	86,591	79,702	28,628	26,982	12,154	8,180	79	305	242,621
Mar. ..	86,269	79,569	28,495	26,846	12,159	8,229	80	309	241,956
1940—									
Jan. ..	86,716	80,281	29,382	26,977	12,422	8,567	154	336	244,835
Feb. ..	87,167	81,008	29,359	27,242	12,511	8,707	167	342	246,563
Mar. ..	86,759	80,807	29,096	27,200	12,428	8,690	175	345	245,500

AVERAGE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
30.6.30..	32 12 0	38 17 4	26 4 0	41 17 11	27 6 7	25 18 2	9 11 6	31 18 4	33 13 1	
30.6.31..	27 6 6	35 2 10	24 2 3	37 4 0	25 2 10	23 19 1	8 12 0	31 2 11	29 12 6	
30.6.32..	27 15 9	36 6 7	24 9 5	37 6 2	23 9 7	24 13 6	8 4 4	32 0 7	30 1 11	
30.6.33..	27 16 0	37 5 1	24 14 11	38 15 1	22 18 7	25 15 4	7 18 1	25 3 1	30 10 2	
30.6.34..	28 17 7	38 4 10	25 18 6	40 3 7	23 10 5	26 9 10	8 19 10	24 19 5	31 11 0	
30.6.35..	29 9 2	39 3 8	27 1 3	41 7 1	24 10 5	28 2 3	10 9 6	23 17 0	32 8 3	
30.6.36..	30 0 3	40 0 2	27 13 3	43 1 10	25 11 7	29 14 1	10 17 2	23 3 0	33 4 1	
30.6.37..	30 8 9	40 16 1	27 10 5	45 0 6	26 1 1	31 2 10	16 10 10	23 11 3	35 15 10	
30.6.38..	31 12 9	42 4 11	28 2 4	45 19 11	26 3 2	32 16 11	11 15 6	25 5 11	34 17 7	
30.6.39..	31 17 4	42 15 10	28 17 2	45 18 8	26 14 5	35 5 4	17 4 6	26 19 3	35 6 11	
1939—										
Jan. ..	31 14 6	42 12 10	28 15 10	45 11 4	26 6 9	33 11 2	13 10 3	26 8 4	35 2 5	
Feb. ..	31 12 4	42 8 1	28 8 8	45 6 5	26 4 9	34 3 7	14 4 3	25 18 2	34 19 2	
Mar. ..	31 9 1	42 6 4	28 5 2	45 1 10	26 4 3	34 11 4	13 17 7	26 2 9	34 16 8	
1940—										
Jan. (b)	31 6 0	42 10 9	28 18 5	45 3 8	26 13 3	35 9 3	22 1 1	27 7 9	34 19 10	
Feb. (b)	31 9 3	42 18 6	28 18 0	45 12 7	26 17 1	36 0 10	23 17 5	27 18 3	35 4 7	
Mar. (b)	31 6 4	42 16 4	28 12 9	45 11 2	26 13 6	35 19 5	25 2 0	28 3 1	35 1 8	

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Based on population at 31st December, 1939.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

Deposits.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
30.6.30 ..	11,899,198	6,424,278	23,901,136	2,145,811	3,240,252	1,682,727	48,913	220,559	49,562,874
30.6.31 ..	14,492,937	6,104,264	22,354,325	1,951,151	2,788,373	1,519,418	43,258	219,935	49,473,661
30.6.32(a) ..	71,647,869	7,098,817	22,951,758	2,127,288	10,217,739	1,581,718	40,440	274,836	115,940,465
30.6.33 ..	72,307,685	7,587,472	23,453,017	2,204,022	10,064,462	1,645,053	38,411	225,054	117,525,175
30.6.34 ..	75,714,070	8,361,264	24,834,273	2,304,751	10,398,972	1,714,882	44,251	236,436	123,608,899
30.6.35 ..	77,906,402	8,910,707	26,196,599	2,508,233	10,929,010	1,854,283	53,541	229,896	128,588,671
30.6.36 ..	79,999,948	9,487,318	27,131,659	2,702,422	11,517,220	1,981,090	57,700	238,685	133,116,042
30.6.37 ..	81,952,399	9,965,266	27,304,438	2,917,184	11,834,794	2,123,853	59,127	259,127	136,416,188
30.6.38 ..	86,015,685	10,734,968	28,206,457	3,091,789	12,037,486	2,220,186	67,921	292,461	142,666,953
30.6.39 ..	87,473,673	11,242,355	29,044,683	3,166,989	12,396,177	2,357,982	98,814	318,804	146,099,477
1939—									
Jan. ..	86,824,101	11,089,324	28,950,150	3,194,390	12,190,175	2,265,740	75,872	307,474	144,897,226
Feb. ..	86,591,320	11,022,356	28,628,538	3,161,653	12,153,721	2,276,788	79,027	304,967	144,218,370
Mar. ..	86,269,381	11,053,879	28,495,474	3,136,671	12,159,100	2,292,402	79,683	309,032	143,795,622
1940—									
Jan. ..	86,715,917	11,652,972	29,382,342	3,208,553	12,421,658	2,323,682	153,776	335,846	146,194,746
Feb. ..	87,167,025	11,838,333	29,358,725	3,227,258	12,511,153	2,336,495	166,446	342,274	146,947,709
Mar. ..	86,758,907	11,840,871	29,095,616	3,200,672	12,428,354	2,327,790	175,035	345,254	146,172,499

(a) Government Savings Banks of New South Wales and Western Australia were taken over on 14th December, 1931, and 31st October, 1931, respectively. The deposits taken over were:—New South Wales, £55,212,924; Australian Capital Territory, £50,569, and Western Australia, £7,255,591.

BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC. CLEARED.

Weekly Average.					Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.
					Averages of—		Averages of—					
					Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bills transactions.(a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bills transactions.(a)				
Year	1932	..	..	..	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
"	1933	..	..	..	13,999	11,249	12,538	11,319	2,704	2,042	1,446	368
"	1934	..	..	..	17,116	12,295	13,034	11,870	2,843	2,152	1,528	381
"	1935	..	..	..	18,634	13,727	14,031	12,966	3,174	2,274	1,622	431
"	1936	..	..	..	19,623	14,875	14,889	13,885	3,486	2,544	1,815	474
"	1937	..	..	..	20,894	16,101	15,255	14,430	3,610	2,674	1,947	529
"	1938	..	..	..	23,003	17,968	17,021	16,188	3,920	3,021	2,011	573
"	1939	..	..	..	23,227	18,065	16,855	16,076	4,164	3,048	2,092	590
"	1939—	..	..	..	23,428	17,930	15,626	16,627	4,288	2,930	2,059	652
1940—	26th Sept. to 30th Oct.				22,686	17,777	16,317	15,417	4,399	3,033	2,036	588
	31st Oct. to 27th Nov.				26,043	19,612	19,629	18,564	4,996	3,378	2,236	604
	28th Nov. to 25th Dec.				27,748	21,405	21,808	20,678	5,026	3,392	2,405	631
	1st Jan. to 29th Jan. . .				24,198	17,528	16,746	16,045	3,804	3,173	2,698	755
	30th Jan. to 26th Feb.				28,025	21,569	20,079	19,403	5,104	4,124	2,609	672
	27th Feb. to 25th Mar.				26,039	20,020	18,896	18,024	4,323	3,515	2,336	776

(a) Average weekly clearings exclusive of transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales, since October, 1930.

Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

A.—Railways.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets and refers to lines available for general traffic only.

Heading.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Government—					
Commonwealth ..	2,145	2,145	2,145	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,164 (83)	6,124 (80)	6,124 (90)	6,113 (90)	6,114 (90)
Victoria ..	4,721 (25)	4,721 (25)	4,721 (25)	4,721 (25)	4,759 (25)
Queensland ..	6,566 (270)	6,567 (246)	6,567 (228)	6,567 (212)	6,567 (212)
South Australia ..	2,529 (51)	2,529 (51)	2,529 (51)	2,557 (51)	2,557 (51)
Western Australia ..	4,359 (277)	4,858 (277)	4,357 (277)	4,376 (277)	4,378 (277)
Tasmania ..	645 (131)	645 (132)	651 (132)	651 (132)	658 (132)
Total ..	27,129 (837)	27,089 (811)	27,094 (803)	27,186 (787)	27,234 (787)

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.

Government.	1934-35.	1935-36.(a)	1936-37.(a)	1937-38.(a)	1938-39.(a)
	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth ..	15,672,282	15,899,638	16,081,606	16,897,209	17,032,884
New South Wales ..	139,851,912	143,843,072	145,257,282	146,808,073	147,617,530
Victoria ..	75,454,243	76,534,378	77,164,316	(b)51,764,255	52,448,789
Queensland ..	35,010,898	36,264,700	36,818,984	37,446,264	37,897,129
South Australia ..	27,295,054	29,066,465	29,203,229	29,582,615	29,732,889
Western Australia ..	24,946,843	25,297,832	25,470,403	25,779,661	26,021,781
Tasmania ..	6,587,891	6,672,329	(c)2,033,045	2,106,081	2,140,330
Total (d) ..	329,183,123	337,940,914	336,391,365	314,746,658	317,253,832

(a) Figures for 1935-36 onwards are not entirely comparable with those of previous years, owing to slight changes in the method of compilation. (b) The capital indebtedness was reduced by £25,684,423 on 1st July, 1937. (c) The capital indebtedness was reduced by £4,378,000 on 1st July, 1936. (d) Inclusive of Grafton-South Brisbane line, £4,364,000 for 1934-35 and £4,362,500 for 1935-36, 1936-37, 1937-38 and 1938-39.

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
Commonwealth ..	2,145	2,145	2,145	2,197	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,164	6,124	6,124	6,114	6,114
Victoria ..	4,721	4,721	4,721	4,721	4,754
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567
South Australia ..	2,529	2,529	2,529	2,555	2,557
Western Australia ..	4,359	4,358	4,357	4,374	4,376
Tasmania ..	645	645	651	651	658
Total ..	27,130	27,089	27,094	27,179	27,227

TRAFFIC TRAIN MILES RUN (a)—'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	536	582	721	758	902
New South Wales ..	26,276	27,701	28,547	30,203	30,106
Victoria ..	15,536	16,391	17,211	17,917	17,890
Queensland ..	12,959	12,386	12,963	13,648	13,927
South Australia ..	5,080	5,462	5,606	6,111	6,177
Western Australia ..	5,868	6,095	6,075	6,372	6,575
Tasmania ..	(b)1,230	1,659	1,864	1,933	1,906
Total ..	67,485	70,276	72,987	76,942	77,483

(a) Exclusive of "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.

(b) Exclusive of Steam and Petrol Rail Car Mileage.

GROSS EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	346	387	442	443	547
New South Wales ..	16,803	17,754	18,616	20,286	19,946
Victoria ..	9,421	9,690	10,135	9,735	9,284
Queensland ..	7,167	6,698	7,092	7,383	7,798
South Australia ..	2,658	2,878	3,008	3,285	3,119
Western Australia ..	3,312	3,446	3,462	3,678	3,599
Tasmania ..	400	449	479	464	487
Total ..	40,107	41,302	43,234	45,274	44,780

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

Government.	1934-35.	1935-36. (a)	1936-37. (a)	1937-38. (a)	1938-39. (a)
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth	380	387	411	512	642
New South Wales	11,565	11,848	12,355	13,760	14,543
Victoria	6,506	6,857	7,259	7,830	8,060
Queensland	5,087	5,213	5,465	5,887	6,193
South Australia	2,241	2,414	2,557	2,867	2,931
Western Australia	2,383	2,488	2,620	2,710	2,911
Tasmania	472	561	620	676	678
Total	28,634	29,768	31,287	34,242	35,958

(a) See Note (a) to first table on previous page.

NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth	-34	..	31	-69	-95
New South Wales	5,238	5,906	6,261	6,526	5,403
Victoria	2,915	2,833	2,876	1,905	1,224
Queensland	2,080	1,485	1,627	1,496	1,605
South Australia	417	464	451	418	188
Western Australia	929	958	842	968	688
Tasmania	-72	-112	-141	-212	-191
Total	11,473	11,534	11,947	11,032	8,822

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.

	%	%	%	%	%
Commonwealth	-0.22	..	0.20	-0.41	-0.56
New South Wales	3.74	4.11	4.31	4.45	3.66
Victoria	3.86	3.70	3.73	3.68	2.33
Queensland	5.94	4.09	4.42	3.99	4.24
South Australia	1.53	1.60	1.55	1.41	0.63
Western Australia	3.72	3.79	3.31	3.75	2.64
Tasmania	-1.10	-1.68	b-6.96	b-10.06	-8.91
Total (a)	3.49	3.41	3.55	3.55	2.78

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.
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(a) Includes Grafton-South Brisbane line.

(b) See Note (c) to

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1938.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land(b)	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,114	4,759	6,497	2,558	4,376	651	27,156
aRevenue—								
aCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	103	3,782	2,155	1,121	389	359	69	7,978
aGoods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	126	5,385	2,194	2,946	1,084	1,295	150	13,180
aMiscellaneous £	63	(d) 487	346	(e)	121	103	9	1,129
aTotal Revenue £	292	(f) 9,654	4,695	4,067	1,594	1,757	228	22,287
aExpenditure £	319	7,080	4,023	3,136	1,406	1,512	(g) 295	17,771
aTrain miles run ..	475	15,156	8,939	7,138	3,082	(h) 3,274	(i) 937	39,001
Earnings per train mile	12s. 3d.	12s. 9d.	10s. 6d.	11s. 5d.	10s. 4d.	10s. 9d.	4s. 10d.	11s. 5d.
Expenditure per train mile	13s. 5d.	9s. 4d.	9s. 0d.	8s. 9d.	9s. 1d.	9s. 3d.	6s. 3d.	9s. 1d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings ..	109.40	73.34	85.68	77.10	88.17	86.07	129.05	79.73
aPassenger Journeys, No.	63	95,402	72,208	12,499	8,747	5,643	1,141	195,703
aCoal and Coke carried, tons ..	11	3,346	102	355	61	161	218	4,254
aOther Minerals carried, tons ..	1	716	(j)	278	320	(k) 125	(l)	1,440
aLive stock carried, tons	42	363	370	273	119	69	13	1,249
aOther Goods carried ..	42	2,938	2,486	2,428	776	849	156	9,675
aTotal Freight carried ..	96	7,363	2,958	3,334	1,276	1,204	387	16,618

(a) '000 omitted. (b) Exclusive of Uniform Gauge railway. (c) Including Road Motors.
 (d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.
 (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excluding Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excluding depreciation. (h) Including Assistant and Light miles. (i) Including Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor miles. (j) Included with Other Goods. (k) Miscellaneous, including Ores and Minerals. (l) Included with Coal and Coke.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1939.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (b)	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,120	4,759	6,497	2,558	4,381	658	27,174
aRevenue—								
aCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	113	3,947	2,210	1,154	391	354	69	8,238
aGoods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	134	6,077	2,236	3,219	1,043	1,370	176	14,255
aMiscellaneous £	73	(d) 497	353	(e) 113	43	8	1,087	23,580
aTotal Revenue £	320	(f) 10,521	4,799	4,373	1,547	1,767	253	17,844
aExpenditure £	398	7,042	3,962	3,268	1,404	1,479	(g) 291	39,438
aTrain miles run ..	487	15,861	8,866	7,629	2,973	(h) 3,109	(i) 1,013	178,499
Earnings per train mile	13s. 2d.	13s. 3d.	10s. 10d.	11s. 6d.	10s. 5d.	11s. 4d.	5s. 0d.	12s. 0d.
Expenditure per train mile	16s. 4d.	9s. 2d.	8s. 11d.	8s. 7d.	9s. 5d.	9s. 6d.	5s. 9d.	9s. 1d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings	124.23	66.94	82.54	74.74	90.74	83.74	114.97	75.68
aPassenger Journeys, No.	67	89,127	72,724	12,318	8,639	5,182	1,115	189,172
aCoal and Coke carried, tons	4	4,316	115	402	72	142	252	5,303
aOther Minerals carried, tons	2	806	(j)	283	298	(k) 111	(l)	1,500
aLive stock carried, tons	39	429	394	266	117	67	13	1,325
aOther Goods carried „	61	2,917	2,263	2,705	738	860	177	9,721
aTotal Freight carried „	106	8,468	2,772	3,656	1,225	1,180	442	17,849

(a) '000 omitted. (b) Exclusive of Uniform Gauge railway. (c) Including Road Motors.
 (d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.
 (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excluding Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excluding depreciation. (h) Including Assistant and Light Miles. (i) Including Assistant, Light and Rail Motor Miles. (j) Included with Other Goods. (k) Miscellaneous, including Ores and Minerals. (l) Included with Coal and Coke.

B.—Civil Aviation.(a)

Particulars.	Six months ended December—				
	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.(b)
Registered Aircraft owners					
(c)	123	124	102	139	149
Registered Aircraft (c) ..	208	228	214	286	296
Licensed Pilots—(c)					
Private	569	714	744	937	1,096
Commercial	210	236	265	323	346
Licensed Ground Engineers (c)	297	295	346	437	525
Aerodromes—(c)					
Government	65	63	72	74	71
Public	146	171	183	197	213
Government Emergency Grounds	138	148	151	153	147
Hours flown	27,810	41,709	54,240	62,172	62,355
Approximate mileage .. Miles	2,537,263	4,240,856	5,871,631	7,035,526	6,625,563
Passengers carried—					
Paying	25,156	42,094	62,378	63,843	60,450
Non-paying	7,008	8,287	13,490	12,198	13,502
Total	32,164	50,381	75,868	76,041	73,952
Goods, Weight carried .. lb.	195,036	439,442	567,951	806,185	937,579
Mails, Weight carried ..	58,119	79,770	111,743	(d) 378,088	(d) 240,853
Accidents—					
Persons killed .. No.	10	2	7	28	7
Persons injured ..	5	4	3	9	1

(a) Includes particulars of the Darwin-Singapore overseas service, but exclusive of those relating to civil aviation in New Guinea. (b) Subject to revision. (c) At 30th June. (d) Includes gross weight of overseas mail.

C.—Telephones.

Particulars.	At 30th June, 1936.	At 30th June, 1937.	At 30th June, 1938.	At 30th June, 1939.	At 31st March, 1940.
Lines connected .. No.	417,661	440,471	465,408	487,535	502,737
Instruments connected ..	562,868	594,855	630,175	661,996	684,734

D.—Motor Vehicles.

States and Territories.	No. of Registrations.				Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Com-mercial Ve-hicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registra-tion and Motor Tax. £	Drivers' and Riders' &c., Licences. £	Miscel-laneous. £	Total. £
1938-39.									
New South Wales ..	217,361	77,503	24,151	319,015	460,371	2,450,301	238,704	94,662	2,783,667
Victoria ..	153,391	81,766	26,698	261,855	358,417	1,796,039	89,718	41,530	1,927,287
Queensland ..	76,654	43,341	8,168	128,163	161,116	843,386	63,557	60,194	967,137
South Australia ..	56,983	24,554	9,219	90,756	138,089	647,298	72,110	10,990	730,398
Western Australia ..	38,039	24,441	7,199	69,679	85,005	405,198	26,625	25,541	457,364
Tasmania ..	17,668	5,036	3,656	26,360	30,443	160,860	15,241	11,698	187,799
Northern Territory ..	404	966	56	1,426	1,649	2,137	670	..	2,807
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,771	418	90	2,279	3,407	13,216	1,762	107	15,085
Total ..	562,271	258,025	79,237	899,533	1,238,497	6,318,435	508,387	244,722	7,071,544
Total, 1937-38 ..	534,963	241,751	80,114	856,828	1,175,786	5,884,847	470,053	234,161	6,589,061

REGISTRATIONS AT THE 31ST MARCH, 1940.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	(a)W.A.	Tas.	(b)N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	215,955	153,806	77,500	59,984	37,887	17,612	404	1,921	565,069
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	77,273	85,912	44,486	26,115	23,923	5,080	966	419	264,174
Motor Cycles ..	22,232	25,807	8,159	9,699	6,523	3,466	56	86	76,028
Total ..	315,460	265,525	130,145	95,798	68,333	26,158	1,426	2,426	905,271
Total at 31st March, 1939 ..	316,528	259,088	125,984	96,451	66,849	25,881	1,249	2,219	894,249

(a) Includes Extra Metropolitan Area figures as at 29th February, 1940. (b) At 30th June, 1939.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING THE NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1940.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	(a)S.A.	(b)W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	11,924	9,323	4,609	3,265	1,432	1,098	133	31,784
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	4,878	4,466	3,133	1,274	365	396	12	14,524
Motor Cycles ..	1,115	1,108	588	440	151	146	4	3,552
Total ..	17,917	14,897	8,330	4,979	1,948	1,640	149	49,860
Total Nine months ended March, 1939 ..	23,163	18,348	10,189	6,373	2,628	2,268	248	63,217

(a) Exclusive of Northern Territory. (b) Metropolitan Area only.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above particulars of Primary Producers' Vehicles, Victoria, are included under the heading "Commercial Vehicles, etc."

E.—Wireless.

NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES.

In force at—	New South Wales. (a)	Victoria.	Queensland. (b)	South Australia. (c)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30.6.28 ..	79,931	137,503	25,211	20,247	3,727	3,141	269,760
30.6.29 ..	100,798	142,534	24,660	23,944	3,841	4,751	300,528
30.6.30 ..	111,080	139,887	23,263	25,671	5,715	6,032	311,648
30.6.31 ..	122,470	137,065	24,108	30,238	9,075	8,232	331,124
30.6.32 ..	141,450	139,323	28,958	37,142	12,679	9,540	369,092
30.6.33 ..	178,000	170,995	36,186	50,150	20,536	12,563	468,430
30.6.34 ..	226,831	206,995	52,038	64,174	31,404	16,547	537,989
30.6.35 ..	278,648	236,886	67,369	76,365	41,176	20,088	720,532
30.6.36 ..	315,731	263,414	83,028	87,335	49,987	24,118	823,613
30.6.37 ..	358,292	288,717	101,358	99,033	61,151	29,780	938,331
30.6.38 ..	403,978	315,466	117,496	111,787	71,324	36,013	1,056,004
30.6.39 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
31.3.40 ..	447,310	343,715	145,692	121,856	85,146	41,242	1,184,261

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Papua.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia (a) (b).
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NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.

1934	185	149	106	109	128	79	4	15	775	(a)355
1935	182	147	109	112	130	77	4	15	776	(a)354
1936	184	147	111	114	132	76	5	15	784	(a)356
1937	184	147	110	113	132	76	6	15	783	(a)358
1938	194	147	111	114	136	78	6	15	801	(a)366

NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

1934	579	406	323	183	188	77	..	1	1,757	(b)2,177
1935	584	399	321	183	190	77	..	1	1,755	(b)2,177
1936	559	396	314	177	211	71	..	1	1,729	(b)2,157
1937	571	396	309	171	198	70	..	1	1,716	(b)2,141
1938	573	400	314	179	183	58	..	1	1,708	(b)2,143

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1934	312,639	195,877	129,358	55,120	54,195	13,510	825	1,043	762,567	762,567
1935	309,689	199,132	148,127	59,102	53,315	14,556	851	1,053	790,830	790,830
1936	315,517	201,616	158,953	59,900	60,762	15,839	992	1,230	814,809	814,809
1937	333,379	209,794	162,212	63,770	65,053	19,208	912	1,455	856,283	856,283
1938	346,837	215,021	169,569	62,404	67,932	21,051	806	1,538	885,168	885,158

(a) Allowing for Interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Interstate unions, but also head State branches of Interstate unions.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed(a).

Particulars.					Unions.	Membership.(b)	UNEMPLOYED.	
							Number.	Percentage. (c)
1935	Year	..	..	..	396	435,938	71,823	16.5
1936	"	..	..	..	392	441,311	53,992	12.2
1937	"	..	..	..	387	449,538	41,823	9.3
1938	"	..	..	..	390	466,835	40,526	8.7
1939	"	..	..	..	396	478,020	47,033	9.8
1932,	June	Quarter(d)	..	..	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1936,	June	"	..	..	394	446,564	57,001	12.8
	September	"	..	..	390	436,139	52,482	12.0
	December	"	..	..	390	437,246	46,863	10.7
1937,	March	"	..	..	388	443,446	44,004	9.9
	June	"	..	..	387	447,714	43,584	9.7
	September	"	..	..	387	451,534	42,145	9.3
	December	"	..	..	387	445,808	37,558	8.2
1938,	March	"	..	..	386	462,918	37,111	8.0
	June	"	..	..	386	464,208	39,824	8.6
	September	"	..	..	394	468,634	43,092	9.2
	December	"	..	..	395	471,581	42,077	8.9
1939,	March	"	..	..	395	475,378	46,611	9.8
	June	"	..	..	398	478,250	46,249	9.7
	September	"	..	..	397	479,103	49,954	10.4
	December	"	..	..	392	479,348	45,319	9.5
1940,	March	"	..	..	394	484,907	39,373	8.1

NOTE.—The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the relative intensity of unemployment from time to time.

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) Represents approximately 54 per cent. of the total membership of Trade Unions. (c) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 74. (d) Peak of Unemployment.

Unemployment(a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.				N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas. (c)	Austra- lia.
				%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1934	Year	..	..	24.7	17.4	11.7	25.6	17.8	17.4	20.5
1935	"	..	..	20.6	14.0	8.7	17.6	13.4	13.2	16.5
1936	"	..	..	15.4	10.7	7.8	10.8	8.1	9.8	12.2
1937	"	..	..	10.9	9.0	7.3	8.2	5.6	7.3	9.3
1938	"	..	..	9.9	8.6	6.4	8.3	5.7	7.9	8.7
1939	"	..	..	11.4	10.4	5.9	9.3	7.1	8.1	9.8
1932—June	Quarter(b)	..	..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1935—June	"	..	..	22.7	15.0	8.8	18.9	13.9	13.5	17.8
September	"	..	..	19.1	14.8	8.5	16.3	12.5	13.1	15.9
December	"	..	..	17.0	11.3	7.7	14.7	11.8	10.2	13.7
1936—March	"	..	..	17.2	10.8	8.5	12.2	10.3	10.8	13.4
June	"	..	..	16.2	10.6	8.5	11.0	9.2	9.4	12.8
September	"	..	..	14.8	11.7	7.2	10.0	7.4	9.8	12.0
December	"	..	..	13.3	9.7	7.2	9.9	5.6	9.1	10.7
1937—March	"	..	..	11.8	9.5	7.7	9.5	5.4	7.8	9.9
June	"	..	..	11.4	9.6	7.6	8.3	5.6	6.9	9.7
September	"	..	..	10.5	9.5	7.2	8.4	6.6	7.2	9.3
December	"	..	..	10.1	7.3	6.6	6.5	5.0	7.1	8.2
1938—March	"	..	..	9.6	7.3	6.6	6.9	4.8	5.7	8.0
June	"	..	..	9.8	8.5	7.2	7.5	5.3	7.2	8.6
September	"	..	..	10.0	9.7	6.3	10.0	6.1	8.5	9.2
December	"	..	..	10.1	9.0	5.7	8.8	6.5	10.2	8.9
1939—March	"	..	..	11.0	10.8	6.1	9.3	7.3	7.6	9.8
June	"	..	..	11.1	10.4	5.7	9.5	6.2	9.4	9.7
September	"	..	..	12.1	11.2	5.8	9.4	8.2	8.3	10.4
December	"	..	..	11.6	9.0	5.8	9.1	6.6	7.1	9.5
1940—March	"	..	..	10.2	6.5	5.8	8.5	6.9	4.8	8.1

(a) Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

(b) Peak of Unemployment.

(c) Revised Series. These percentages, which replace those published in Quarterly Summary No. 154 and prior issues, are based on the returns of reporting unions after excluding certain females from Class III. (food, drink, &c.). The females excluded, although substantially all employed from January to March, are for the rest of the year not "unemployed" in the sense that they are seeking jobs unsuccessfully in their own industry. They are either employed in other occupations (e.g., paid domestic service) or are engaged in home duties.

Unemployment(a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1929.	1932.	1939.				1940.
	March Qtr.	June Qtr.(b)	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Septem- ber Qtr.	Decem- ber Qtr.	March Qtr.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	6.5	39.6	15.7	16.4	18.1	13.4	6.7
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	11.2	33.9	7.5	7.9	8.6	6.8	5.5
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c.(c)	5.5	19.3	16.0	18.3	18.4	16.6	14.5
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c. .	9.8	22.6	14.0	12.6	13.3	9.6	6.5
V. Books, Printing, &c. . . .	2.6	16.8	3.8	4.1	5.1	3.6	4.7
VI. Other Manufacturing . . .	13.8	43.0	11.8	11.1	11.7	11.2	9.8
VII. Building	10.6	42.1	8.8	8.0	9.3	9.2	10.4
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. .	13.2	34.2	11.9	11.5	12.6	15.4	8.6
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services	7.6	29.6	7.7	7.5	8.7	7.7	7.3
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV.(d) Other and Miscellaneous . . .	7.3	22.2	7.3	6.9	7.4	7.7	7.5
All Groups	9.3	30.0	9.8	9.7	10.4	9.5	8.1

(a) Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

(b) Peak of Unemployment.

(c) See note (c) above.

(d) For classification see page 60.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).

Period.	Number.	Establishments Involved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Estimated Loss in Wages. £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Year 1939 ..	385	459	137,638	9,230	146,868	380,249	29,934	410,183	419,330
1938—Dec. Qtr.	36	37	9,530	3,115	12,645	93,067	274,000	367,067	352,331
1939—March ..	86	93	26,819	1,696	28,515	47,768	29,934	77,702	70,361
" June ..	99	112	26,397	6,019	32,416	134,645	..	134,645	136,080
" Sept. ..	104	158	57,313	882	58,195	86,311	24,376	110,687	124,715
" Dec. ..	96	97	27,109	633	27,742	85,751	1,398	87,149	88,174

VICTORIA.

Year 1939 ..	10	10	1,939	180	2,169	27,313	..	27,313	19,946
1938—Dec. Qtr.	3	3	1,220	..	1,220	4,020	19,260	23,280	19,249
1939—March ..	1	1	68	..	68	272	..	272	118
" June ..	5	5	308	180	488	3,228	..	3,228	658
" Sept. ..	4	4	1,613	..	1,613	23,813	..	23,813	19,170
" Dec. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

QUEENSLAND.

Year 1939 ..	5	6	373	2	375	1,870	..	1,870	1,753
1938—Dec. Qtr.	..	..	..	..	..	..	45,000	45,000	45,000
1939—March ..	2	3	143	..	143	506	..	506	490
" June ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Sept. ..	3	3	230	2	232	1,124	..	1,124	975
" Dec. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	240	240	288

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Year 1939 ..	2	2	170	5	175	1,880	..	1,880	1,416
1938—Dec. Qtr.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—March ..	1	1	145	..	145	290	..	290	105
" June ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Sept. ..	1	1	25	5	30	570	..	570	418
" Dec. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,020	1,020	893

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Year 1939 ..	7	7	1,108	145	1,253	14,100	..	14,100	9,578
1938—Dec. Qtr.	1	1	16	14	30	180	..	180	166
1939—March ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" June ..	3	3	178	1	179	740	..	740	628
" Sept. ..	3	3	414	35	449	10,235	..	10,235	4,950
" Dec. ..	1	1	516	109	625	3,125	..	3,125	4,000

TASMANIA.

Year 1939 ..	4	4	53	..	53	166	..	166	93
1938—Dec. Qtr.	..	..	..	..	..	..	37,710	37,710	37,710
1939—March ..	2	2	36	..	36	124	..	124	50
" June ..	1	1	5	..	5	30	..	30	30
" Sept. ..	1	1	12	..	12	12	..	12	13
" Dec. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

AUSTRALIA.

Year 1939(a) (b) ..	415	505	141,565	9,602	151,167	420,220	29,934	459,154	455,716
1938—Dec. Qtr.	40	41	10,766	3,129	13,895	97,267	375,970	473,237	454,456
1939—March ..	92	100	27,211	1,696	28,907	48,960	29,934	78,894	71,124
" June(a) ..	109	134	26,962	6,200	33,162	141,085	..	141,085	139,896
" Sept. ..	116	170	59,607	924	60,531	122,065	24,376	146,441	150,241
" Dec.(b) ..	98	101	27,785	782	28,567	90,076	2,658	92,734	94,455

(a) Inclusive of one dispute in the Northern Territory—74 workpeople; working days lost, 2,442; estimated loss in wages, £2,500. (b) Inclusive of one dispute in the Northern Territory—200 workpeople (40 indirectly); working days lost, 1,200; estimated loss in wages, £1,100.

Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st December, 1939.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia. (d)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	102/9 44.00 2/4	97/4 44.00 2/2½	104/3 44.00 2/4½	94/0 44.00 2/1½	99/11 44.00 2/3½	93/10 44.00 2/1½	100/1 44.00 2/3½
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	100/10 44.00 2/3½	97/6 44.34 2/2½	102/6 44.00 2/4	94/6 45.12 2/1	102/9 44.00 2/4	97/8 45.18 2/2	99/3 44.27 2/3
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	99/4 44.00 2/3	93/4 45.24 2/0½	98/8 43.96 2/3	93/8 46.16 2/0½	99/3 45.28 2/2½	91/11 46.16 2/0	96/9 44.66 2/2
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	92/3 44.00 2/1½	92/1 44.00 2/1	96/11 44.00 2/2½	96/11 44.00 2/2½	99/8 44.00 2/3½	90/1 44.00 2/0½	93/2 44.00 2/1½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	120/9 43.38 2/9½	110/3 43.39 2/6½	108/11 43.20 2/6½	103/6 43.68 2/4½	128/2 42.72 3/0	103/1 43.35 2/4½	114/3 43.35 2/7½
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	99/1 43.98 2/3	91/11 45.05 2/0½	97/0 43.97 2/2½	93/9 45.14 2/1	98/3 44.23 2/2½	92/10 44.23 2/1½	95/8 44.49 2/1½
VII. Building	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	110/0 43.66 2/6½	105/7 44.00 2/4½	104/7 40.00 2/7½	100/8 44.00 2/3½	104/1 44.00 2/4½	98/6 44.00 2/2½	106/5 43.42 2/5½
VIII. Mining (a)	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	113/1 42.06 2/8½	98/6 42.76 2/3½	110/3 42.40 2/7½	71/6 43.79 1/7½	107/7 43.65 2/5½	100/2 43.54 2/3½	106/11 42.65 2/6
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	97/4 44.00 2/2½	95/8 44.00 2/2	99/4 44.00 2/3	92/2 46.00 2/0	97/10 43.79 2/2½	89/5 45.71 1/11½	96/7 44.21 2/2½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	96/10 44.00 2/2½	89/0 44.53 2/0	96/1 44.00 2/2½	83/10 44.73 1/10½	96/2 48.50 2/0½	86/11 44.00 1/11½	92/10 44.35 2/1½
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage <i>b</i> Working Hours Hourly Wage	99/1	98/0	96/6	100/6	97/3	98/5	98/6
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage <i>c</i> Working Hours Hourly Wage	80/2	84/6	90/4	81/8	88/5	85/9	84/0
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage <i>c</i> Working Hours Hourly Wage <i>c</i>	92/1 44.00 2/1	90/2 45.86 1/11½	90/4 44.00 2/0½	86/1 48.00 1/9½	88/8 48.00 1/10½	69/10 48.00 1/5½	89/11 45.29 1/11½
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	95/2 44.54 2/1½	92/1 45.23 2/0½	95/5 44.00 2/2	85/7 47.19 1/9½	93/5 47.23 1/11½	82/3 47.06 1/9	92/10 45.19 2/0½
All Groups (d)	Weekly Wage	96/7	93/5	97/5	88/11	97/11	89/5	95/0
All Groups excepting XI. and XII.(d)	Weekly Wage Working Hours Hourly Wage	100/4 43.92 2/3½	95/2 44.61 2/1½	100/0 43.46 2/3½	90/3 45.83 1/11½	99/11 45.10 2/2½	90/7 45.33 2/0	97/8 44.35 2/2½

(a) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (b) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied. (c) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied. (d) Weighted average.

Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st December, 1939.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia. (b)
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	49/7	49/2	46/5	44/0	44/4	49/6	48/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.67	44.33	46.00	44.00	44.00	44.43
	Hourly Wage	1/1½	1/1½	1/0½	0/11½	1/0	1/1½	1/1½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	50/8	49/8	53/5	53/3	52/5	50/2	50/10
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/1½	1/1½	1/2½	1/2½	1/2½	1/1½	1/1½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	49/11	54/1	49/5	50/0	..	51/0	51/11
	Working Hours	44.00	44.27	44.00	45.97	..	44.00	44.25
	Hourly Wage	1/1½	1/2½	1/1½	1/1	..	1/2	1/2
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage a	52/6	56/9	55/7	44/10	59/10	51/11	54/4
	Working Hours	43.38	44.62	44.00	48.00	46.80	48.00	44.64
	Hourly Wage a	1/2½	1/3½	1/3½	0/11½	1/3½	1/1	1/2½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	60/5	53/10	60/6	47/0	..	..	56/8
	Working Hours	44.00	45.50	44.00	48.00	..	..	44.96
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/2½	1/4½	0/11½	..	..	1/3
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	53/3	51/9	55/2	49/7	55/11	50/8	52/8
	Working Hours	43.88	44.42	44.01	45.96	45.38	45.10	44.26
	Hourly Wage	1/2½	1/2	1/3	1/1	1/2½	1/1½	1/2½

(a) Including the estimated value of board and lodging where supplied.

(b) Weighted average.

Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia.
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ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
" " 1932	84 11	77 10	88 5	72 7	81 9	78 1	81 10
" " 1933	81 11	77 0	88 1	73 5	81 4	78 0	80 6
" " 1934	83 2	78 8	88 9	75 6	84 1	97 7	82 0
" " 1935	84 2	79 9	88 5	77 11	84 2	81 0	82 10
" " 1936	85 6	83 1	88 7	79 6	88. 6	83 3	84 10
" " 1937	92 1	88 1	92 8	85 10	90 10	87 0	90 2
31st March, 1939	95 1	91 4	95 10	87 4	96 10	88 7	93 4
30th June, 1939	96 7	92 6	95 10	88 1	97 11	89 0	94 5
30th September, 1939	95 10	93 8	97 4	89 2	97 11	89 3	94 9
31st December, 1939	96 7	93 5	97 5	88 11	97 11	89 5	95 0

ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1000.)

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1932	1,657	1,518	1,726	1,416	1,595	1,523	1,597
" " 1933	1,598	1,502	1,718	1,433	1,587	1,522	1,570
" " 1934	1,623	1,534	1,732	1,473	1,640	1,552	1,599
" " 1935	1,642	1,555	1,725	1,520	1,642	1,581	1,617
" " 1936	1,668	1,621	1,729	1,552	1,726	1,625	1,656
" " 1937	1,797	1,719	1,868	1,674	1,772	1,697	1,760
31st March, 1939	1,854	1,782	1,870	1,704	1,890	1,729	1,821
30th June, 1939	1,885	1,805	1,870	1,719	1,911	1,737	1,842
30th September, 1939	1,870	1,828	1,899	1,740	1,911	1,741	1,849
31st December, 1939	1,885	1,823	1,900	1,735	1,911	1,745	1,853

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
" " 1932	44 8	43 0	46 9	40 11	49 7	43 4	44 2
" " 1933	43 2	42 9	46 9	41 0	48 4	43 2	43 6
" " 1934	44 3	43 9	47 8	41 11	49 1	44 1	44 5
" " 1935	44 11	44 2	48 0	43 0	49 1	44 19	45 3
" " 1936	45 7	46 10	48 4	43 4	50 11	45 1	46 5
" " 1937	50 2	49 2	51 4	46 10	51 6	48 6	49 8
31st March, 1939	52 4	50 7	53 6	48 8	55 4	49 10	51 7
30th June, 1939	53 1	51 6	53 9	48 11	55 11	50 2	52 3
30th September, 1939	52 8	51 9	54 9	49 2	55 11	50 2	52 4
31st December, 1939	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 11	50 8	52 8

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1000.)

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1932	1,644	1,583	1,720	1,505	1,826	1,595	1,624
" " 1933	1,589	1,573	1,720	1,510	1,778	1,587	1,599
" " 1934	1,628	1,609	1,736	1,511	1,809	1,623	1,636
" " 1935	1,654	1,626	1,767	1,584	1,808	1,651	1,666
" " 1936	1,677	1,722	1,780	1,594	1,873	1,661	1,708
" " 1937	1,848	1,810	1,889	1,724	1,894	1,785	1,828
31st March, 1939	1,926	1,863	1,969	1,790	2,037	1,823	1,890
30th June, 1939	1,954	1,895	1,978	1,800	2,059	1,845	1,920
30th September, 1939	1,939	1,904	2,016	1,811	2,059	1,845	1,927
31st December, 1939	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,059	1,866	1,938

(a) Weighted average for Australia.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 4 3 0	(a) 2 4 6	1.5.40	Man, wife and child
Victoria ..	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
Queensland ..	(b) 4 4 0	2 5 0	7.8.39	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	3 18 0	1 18 0	5.1.39	Man, wife and three children
Western Australia ..	(d) 4 2 2	(d) 2 4 4	24.4.39	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania ..	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong, Broken Hill—Males, £4 3s. 0d.; Females, £2 4s. 6d. Elsewhere—Males, £4 0s. 0d.; Females, £2 3s. 0d. Male wage plus child allowances. (b) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (c) None declared, but follow Federal rates to a large extent. (d) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State exclusive of the S.W. Land Division—Males, £4 16s. 4d.; Females, £2 12s. 0d. Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £4 3s. 1d.; Females, £2 4s. 10d.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

Capital.	1st June, 1939.	1st September, 1939.	1st December, 1939.	1st February, 1940.	1st May, 1940.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney ..	82 0	81 0	82 0	82 0	83 0
Melbourne ..	81 0	81 0	80 0	81 0	82 0
Brisbane ..	77 0	76 0	76 0	77 0	78 0
Adelaide ..	78 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	78 0
Perth ..	77 0	77 0	77 0	77 0	77 0
Hobart ..	77 0	77 0	77 0	78 0	78 0
Weighted Average—Six Capitals ..	79 0	79 0	79 0	80 0	80 0

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent. of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index Numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment.

Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed.

State.	1934.		1935.		1936.		1937.		1938.	
	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	55	22	44	31	52	39	63	42	64	38
Victoria ..	90	..	101	..	141	..	121	..	99	..
Queensland ..	32	25	46	22	61	37	46	42	38	38
South Australia ..	19	3	69	9	22	17	42	16	6	4
Western Australia ..	12	11	17	24	24	26	35	32	28	31
Tasmania ..	7	1	18	..	22	..	43	..	26	..
Commonwealth Court ..	24	4	69	13	32	13	38	11	31	13
Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator ..	..	..	4	..	2	..	3	..	3	..
Total ..	239	66	368	99	356	132	391	143	295	124

Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the post-war period 1923-1927. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In these tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page 66.

Retail Price Index-Numbers.(a)—Capital Cities.

("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-1927=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-1927 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1911.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1939.				1940.
							March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.

GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

Sydney	553	840	848	868	904	936	944	930	930	940	933
Melbourne	523	784	809	836	884	942	951	942	932	942	922
Brisbane	569	763	791	828	838	864	884	857	855	859	874
Adelaide	570	780	798	826	861	897	907	904	888	888	881
Perth	753	821	853	881	899	938	931	950	944	926	920
Hobart	592	792	827	870	880	923	913	921	916	941	918
Weighted Average ..	559	806	825	851	886	927	935	925	920	927	917

GROUP IV.—HOUSING(b)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney	701	891	930	965	1,004	1,035	1,027	1,033	1,039	1,040	1,041
Melbourne	569	850	882	909	935	955	949	954	957	960	964
Brisbane	373	720	766	822	841	854	852	853	855	855	855
Adelaide	706	736	795	832	868	888	884	888	890	891	892
Perth	524	792	844	861	872	881	878	881	881	882	883
Hobart	452	890	908	899	913	925	920	924	927	930	932
Weighted Average ..	612	839	879	912	942	965	959	963	967	969	971

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney	606	858	878	904	941	972	974	968	970	977	973
Melbourne	539	808	835	862	902	945	948	944	940	947	936
Brisbane	500	747	781	824	838	858	870	853	853	855	865
Adelaide	618	764	796	826	862	891	896	895	887	887	883
Perth	672	810	849	871	887	914	908	921	918	907	903
Hobart	542	827	856	879	891	922	914	920	918	935	922
Weighted Average ..	578	818	844	872	906	939	942	938	936	941	936

(a) As the price index-number increases, the purchasing-power of money diminishes. (b) See note (c) on page 66.

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).

("B" Series.)

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

Particulars.	1911.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1939.				1940.
							March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	606	858	878	904	941	972	974	968	970	977	973
Newcastle	853	858	858	898	934	934	931	931	938	935
Broken Hill	832	837	869	948	970	1,000	977	948	954	942
Goulburn	835	854	872	908	942	946	941	939	941	934
Bathurst	808	829	838	867	900	900	898	899	904	893
Weighted Average (a)	..	857	875	899	937	969	971	964	966	973	968
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	539	808	835	862	902	945	948	944	940	947	936
Ballarat	760	780	794	808	849	845	850	853	848	833
Bendigo	766	777	798	817	851	853	848	843	858	845
Geelong	802	825	833	872	917	915	916	916	919	901
Warrnambool	826	827	842	898	940	934	936	942	948	930
Weighted Average (a)	..	805	831	857	895	938	941	937	933	940	929
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	500	747	781	824	838	858	870	853	853	855	865
Toowoomba	737	774	810	806	830	842	826	825	828	836
Rockhampton	730	757	808	825	843	854	841	836	840	852
Townsville	6736	6741	877	900	920	934	919	913	913	920
Bundaberg	6716	6721	752	781	804	813	802	800	801	811
Weighted Average (a)	..	745	777	823	837	858	869	853	853	855	864
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	618	764	796	826	862	891	896	895	887	887	883
Kadina, &c.	694	689	692	702	743	738	740	748	745	729
Port Pirie	746	775	811	838	882	884	881	885	878	865
Mount Gambier	723	745	780	801	838	830	844	830	846	812
Peterborough	759	793	816	836	890	887	886	890	895	886
Weighted Average (a)	..	761	791	821	855	885	889	889	881	882	877
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c.	672	810	849	871	887	914	908	921	918	907	903
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,003	1,064	1,126	1,152	1,178	1,177	1,181	1,181	1,173	1,166
Northam	822	858	899	911	936	931	942	940	929	924
Bunbury	836	873	924	945	979	968	984	985	980	966
Geraldton	879	945	999	974	990	988	996	995	982	976
Weighted Average (a)	..	826	867	894	909	936	931	943	940	929	926
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	542	827	856	879	891	922	914	920	918	935	922
Launceston	785	807	843	867	887	885	888	884	891	885
Burnie	783	810	866	881	898	890	895	897	909	897
Devonport	783	790	824	846	865	858	866	864	870	864
Queenstown	843	844	874	900	933	929	936	931	936	931
Weighted Average (a)	..	811	835	865	882	908	902	907	905	917	907
Weighted Average for 30 towns	..	816	841	869	902	935	938	934	932	936	931
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities	578	818	844	872	906	939	942	938	936	941	936
Canberra (A.C.T.) (d)	1,008	1,019	1,053	1,043	1,026	1,038	1,032	1,019	1,015	1,008
Charters Towers (Q.)	736	741	727	751	7815	7814	7799	7824	7822	7827
Warwick (Q.)	716	721	707	732	7783	7781	7778	7784	7788	7788

(a) Weighted Average for the five towns. (b) Charters Towers. (c) Warwick. (d) Not included in above weighted averages. (e) New Series. The drop in 1938 was due to revision of sample of houses used for the calculation of average rentals in order to make it more comparable with that of the capital cities and other large towns throughout Australia. To secure comparison with "B" Series index numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter 1938, the new series index numbers should be multiplied by 1.090.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

State and Town.	1914.	1939.				1940.			Per- cent- age in- crease from July, 1914, to March, 1940.
	July.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	645	937	957	938	925	931	942	46.0	
Newcastle	642	964	982	973	952	960	972	51.4	
Broken Hill	821	1,144	1,174	1,163	1,046	1,050	1,057	28.7	
Goulburn	661	984	1,006	1,002	973	979	985	49.0	
Bathurst	613	932	948	946	919	921	947	54.5	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	652	943	964	946	930	936	947	45.2	
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne	619	931	962	961	909	922	935	51.1	
Ballarat	617	914	936	954	911	920	923	49.6	
Bendigo	619	920	947	946	907	916	933	50.7	
Geelong	609	924	957	961	907	920	929	52.5	
Warrnambool	608	944	951	950	928	932	938	54.3	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	618	930	960	960	909	921	934	51.1	
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane	591	868	898	887	868	877	877	48.4	
Toowoomba	582	819	859	843	823	829	839	44.2	
Rockhampton	646	914	931	922	918	917	919	42.3	
Townsville .. .. .	..	973	992	989	959	956	966	..
Bundaberg .. .. .	..	912	940	933	914	925	926	..
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	605	876	906	895	876	883	885	46.3	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide	699	888	914	919	872	883	888	27.0	
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	688	946	978	971	956	948	946	37.5	
Port Pirie	722	983	1,018	1,013	951	961	980	35.7	
Mount Gambier	595	914	929	927	897	893	894	50.3	
Peterborough	749	943	1,004	995	957	960	963	28.6	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	697	894	921	925	879	889	894	28.3	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—									
Perth and Fremantle	749	910	940	942	912	919	928	23.9	
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	931	1,077	1,108	1,091	1,065	1,074	1,075	15.5	
Northam .. .. .	..	949	971	978	945	952	954	..
Bunbury	793	932	947	971	941	944	948	19.5	
Geraldton	808	934	952	955	921	924	923	14.2	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	790	924	953	954	925	932	939	18.9	
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	678	903	917	920	913	924	918	35.4	
Launceston	640	905	921	912	897	910	913	42.7	
Burnie .. .. .	..	919	942	935	924	930	935	..
Devonport .. .. .	..	913	941	925	924	927	934	..
Queenstown	735	1,001	1,016	1,020	1,003	1,007	1,018	38.5	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	672	908	923	922	912	923	921	37.1	
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	651	925	950	942	912	920	930	42.9	
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities ..	645	921	947	938	908	917	927	43.7	
(a) Lithgow (N.) .. .. .	..	977	983	956	935	936	968	..
(a) Yallourn (V.) .. .. .	..	999	1,024	990	962	964	975	..
(a) Charters Towers (Q.)	696	972	992	977	957	959	976	40.2	
(a) Warwick (Q.)	605	849	882	880	850	854	859	42.0	
(a) Port Augusta (S.A.) .. .. .	..	977	1,018	1,012	972	974	978	..
(a) Rosebery (T.) .. .. .	..	1,002	1,031	1,014	1,039	1,053	1,057	..
(a) Canberra (A.C.T.) .. .. .	..	1,065	1,080	1,087	1,020	1,027	1,035	..

(a) Not included in above weighted averages.

THE "ALL ITEMS" INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms) (c), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

State and Town.	Year 1934.	Year 1935.	Year 1936.	Year 1937.	Year 1938.	Year 1939.	1939.				1940.
							Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney ..	842	852	866	889	913	936	934	932	933	943	946
Newcastle ..	834	846	853	849	877	901	898	898	897	910	914
Broken Hill ..	819	819	848	893	940	955	970	959	943	949	954
Goulburn ..	852	860	864	867	893	916	916	915	914	917	921
Bathurst ..	807	814	833	842	860	883	880	880	881	890	894
Weighted Average(a) ..	841	852	865	886	911	933	932	929	930	940	943
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne ..	801	824	844	868	896	924	923	921	918	932	934
Ballarat ..	781	803	826	839	850	874	869	872	875	879	882
Bendigo ..	811	820	821	840	854	875	873	870	868	887	889
Geelong ..	782	824	848	855	884	911	907	909	909	917	915
Warrnambool ..	826	850	851	856	892	918	912	914	918	928	936
Weighted Average(a) ..	801	824	843	866	893	920	919	917	915	928	930
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane ..	762	780	804	837	852	870	874	866	866	874	887
Toowoomba ..	785	785	802	840	843	853	863	855	853	862	874
Rockhampton ..	759	776	802	840	853	867	871	864	861	872	887
Townsville ..	(b)759	(b)789	(b)810	833	902	918	923	915	912	921	932
Bundaberg ..	(c)761	(c)769	(c)779	809	831	847	849	845	843	851	860
Weighted Average(a) ..	764	780	803	840	854	871	875	867	867	876	888
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide ..	806	820	839	859	888	906	908	908	903	906	912
Kadina, &c. ..	758	763	765	769	786	810	806	808	812	814	811
Port Pirie ..	778	789	813	844	868	896	895	894	897	896	894
Mount Gambler ..	800	809	818	830	849	872	867	875	866	880	866
Peterborough ..	832	833	843	851	868	897	896	895	896	900	901
Weighted Average(a) ..	804	817	835	855	883	902	904	904	899	902	907
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. ..	830	834	856	869	882	901	896	904	904	899	902
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	975	1,011	1,027	1,030	1,048	1,066	1,064	1,067	1,069	1,065	1,064
Northam ..	825	829	860	890	900	915	911	918	919	913	912
Bunbury ..	843	845	880	897	914	936	928	937	939	932	934
Geraldton ..	866	886	933	970	957	965	967	966	966	959	958
Weighted Average(a) ..	842	848	870	884	897	915	911	918	918	914	916
TASMANIA—											
Hobart ..	837	849	860	875	887	908	901	907	905	919	918
Launceston ..	828	834	840	856	872	888	883	888	886	895	898
Burnie ..	780	792	814	854	865	879	872	877	878	889	890
Devonport ..	787	801	809	833	848	861	855	861	860	867	869
Queenstown ..	876	873	850	857	875	903	898	905	902	908	914
Weighted Average(a) ..	831	841	850	866	879	898	892	897	896	908	909
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	816	831	848	871	894	917	916	915	914	923	927
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities ..	817	832	850	873	897	920	919	917	916	926	930
Charters Towers (Q.) ..	759	789	810	(d)819	(d)839	(d)883	(d)878	(d)871	(d)886	(d)896	(d)904
Warwick (Q.) ..	761	769	779	(d)779	(d)800	(d)834	(d)830	(d)830	(d)834	(d)842	(d)845
Port Augusta (S.A.) (d)	822	832	841	845	863	883	886	880	881	885	883
Canberra (d) ..	..	..	..	..	..	956	961	958	951	953	958

(a) Five Towns.

(b) Charters Towers.

(c) Warwick.

(d) Not included in above weighted averages.

(e) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 Conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns.

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTH SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.98	5.98	5.98	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.38	6.38	6.38
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.79	4.79	4.79	5.14	5.29	5.14	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.20	5.20	5.20
" self-raising ..	"	7.60	7.60	7.60	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.29	8.29	8.57	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.10	9.10	9.10
Tea ..	lb.	30.75	31.65	31.85	32.43	33.21	33.00	34.50	35.36	35.36	32.00	33.00	32.80	31.40	32.40	32.40
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.87	4.87	4.87	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.36	4.36	4.36	3.90	3.90	3.90	3.80	3.80	3.80
Sago ..	"	3.50	3.58	3.60	4.07	4.36	4.21	4.43	4.36	4.64	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.90	3.90	4.13
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.05	10.05	10.10	10.07	10.07	10.07	9.50	9.57	9.71	10.60	10.60	10.80	10.40	10.20	10.20
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.70	6.70	6.70	7.79	7.79	7.79	9.14	9.14	9.14	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.00	8.00	8.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.35	3.15	2.93	3.38	3.29	3.17	4.25	4.29	4.04	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.88	3.75	3.63
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.63	10.63	10.63	10.57	10.57	10.67	10.79	10.71	11.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.90	10.90	10.83
Currants ..	"	9.05	9.15	9.30	9.60	9.60	9.50	9.79	9.79	9.86	9.30	9.30	9.30	8.70	8.70	8.70
Apricots, dried ..	"	15.61	16.63	16.67	15.50	16.75	16.75	16.21	16.86	16.79	15.50	17.00	17.20	15.00	15.67	16.17
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	10.30	10.30	10.60	10.36	10.36	10.50	11.29	11.43	11.50	10.60	10.80	10.80	10.70	10.80	11.00
Pears, canned ..	"	11.35	11.35	11.70	11.43	11.86	11.57	11.71	11.79	11.86	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.00	12.10	12.00
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	15.05	15.50	15.60	16.07	16.21	16.07	14.29	14.79	15.08	14.75	14.75	15.20	16.63	16.63	17.75
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	10.63	10.81	11.56	12.36	11.79	12.92	12.67	12.10	11.58	11.10	11.40	12.10	11.25	9.75	12.38
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.46	1.96	2.14	2.17	2.14	2.14	5.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	2.80	2.60	2.50	2.75	2.50
Soap ..	lb.	6.37	6.37	6.37	6.65	6.65	6.65	7.33	7.33	7.28	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.86
Kerosene ..	quart	4.50	4.53	4.57	5.57	5.57	5.57	6.63	6.75	6.56	6.10	6.15	6.15	5.77	5.77	5.75
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.05	19.05	19.05	19.50	19.50	19.50	21.29	21.29	21.29	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.90	19.90	19.90
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.65	14.65	14.65	14.14	14.14	14.14	16.36	16.36	16.36	14.20	14.20	14.20	14.75	14.75	14.75
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	18.05	21.00	21.50	18.43	21.29	22.43	17.43	19.50	23.14	16.40	20.00	21.00	15.80	19.00	21.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	17.35	17.35	17.25	17.21	17.21	17.21	19.21	19.64	19.43	17.60	17.60	17.60	17.25	17.25	17.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20
" fresh ..	quart	7.10	7.10	7.10	6.79	6.79	6.79	10.00	10.00	10.00	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.00	6.00	6.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	10.35	10.50	10.85	10.29	10.43	10.83	9.43	9.43	9.57	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.00	9.00	9.60
" rib ..	"	7.80	7.90	8.10	8.07	8.29	8.08	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.20	8.20	8.40	7.60	7.60	8.00
" steak, rump ..	"	15.40	15.60	15.90	13.64	13.79	14.17	16.14	16.14	16.29	13.80	13.80	14.20	11.60	11.60	12.20
" chuck ..	"	7.15	7.30	7.50	7.29	7.43	7.58	7.86	7.86	8.14	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.20	7.00
" sausages ..	"	5.95	6.10	6.25	6.14	6.29	6.83	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.80	6.00	6.00	6.40
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	8.75	8.80	8.95	8.93	9.14	9.17	9.71	9.71	10.00	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.20	8.20	8.80
" " brisket ..	"	6.35	6.50	6.65	6.64	6.79	6.75	7.29	7.29	7.57	8.20	8.20	7.80	6.60	6.60	7.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.35	7.30	7.55	9.50	9.57	9.92	7.21	7.21	7.29	9.20	9.20	9.20	7.60	7.60	8.00
" forequarter ..	"	4.08	4.08	4.40	4.93	5.00	5.17	4.79	4.79	4.79	5.80	5.80	6.00	4.60	4.80	4.90
" loin ..	"	8.50	8.45	8.95	9.14	9.29	9.33	9.43	9.43	9.71	9.40	9.40	9.60	7.80	7.80	8.00
" chops, loin ..	"	9.25	9.25	9.45	9.29	9.43	9.83	9.14	9.14	9.29	9.40	9.40	9.40	7.80	7.80	8.00
" chops, leg ..	"	8.20	8.20	8.50	9.29	9.43	9.83	12.14	12.14	12.14	13.00	13.00	13.00	11.20	11.20	11.60
Pork, leg ..	"	13.80	13.40	13.30	13.93	13.93	14.08	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.60	13.60	13.60	11.60	11.60	12.00
" loin ..	"	13.70	13.70	13.60	13.79	13.79	13.83	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.80	13.80	13.80	11.60	11.60	12.00
" chops ..	"	13.60	13.70	13.40	13.71	13.71	13.83									
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	280.68	..	..	242.33	..	..	195.24	..	..	218.86	..	..	212.62	..

**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940.**

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Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.35	5.35	5.35	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.35	6.35	6.30
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.07	4.00	4.00	4.71	4.71	4.71	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	7.45	7.45	7.45	8.00	8.07	8.00	8.29	8.07	8.07	7.60	7.60	7.60	8.00	7.80	7.80
Tea ..	lb.	31.45	32.30	32.25	31.71	32.71	31.86	33.29	34.43	34.00	28.80	32.50	32.50	32.60	33.80	33.80
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.48	3.48	3.48	3.89	3.89	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.55	3.45	3.45	3.70	3.70	3.70
Sago ..	"	3.38	3.60	3.53	3.57	3.71	3.61	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.45	3.45	3.60	3.80	3.90	3.90
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	8.75	8.95	9.00	8.93	9.29	9.21	8.43	8.71	8.79	8.30	8.50	8.50	8.90	9.00	9.10
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.15	7.15	7.10	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.43	7.43	7.43	6.80	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.20	3.00	2.93	3.29	2.93	2.64	3.61	3.50	3.39	3.20	2.60	2.75	3.75	3.35	3.25
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.55	10.55	10.55	10.50	10.57	10.57	10.43	10.43	10.43	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.50	10.50	10.50
Currants ..	"	8.94	8.89	9.00	8.64	8.71	8.71	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.30	9.10	9.30	9.30	9.30	9.30
Apricots, dried ..	"	15.90	16.81	16.83	15.67	16.08	16.00	16.25	16.43	16.43	16.50	16.38	16.50	15.80	15.80	15.80
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	9.60	9.65	9.65	9.50	9.71	9.29	9.86	10.29	10.14	8.80	9.30	9.30	9.90	10.30	10.50
Pears, canned ..	"	10.40	10.45	10.35	10.14	10.29	10.21	10.50	11.07	11.07	10.00	10.50	10.60	10.90	11.30	11.50
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	13.95	14.45	14.60	13.43	14.00	14.79	15.64	15.64	15.86	13.40	14.88	14.88	14.00	14.20	14.20
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.85	8.55	10.39	7.61	7.46	8.53	9.25	8.41	10.36	6.58	7.18	9.03	8.00	7.47	8.51
Onions, brown ..	lb.	1.17	1.00	1.06	1.05	0.91	0.94	1.28	1.29	1.39	0.97	0.97	0.95	1.25	1.13	0.97
Soap ..	"	6.93	6.93	6.93	7.33	7.33	7.17	7.62	7.62	7.21	6.43	7.13	7.13	7.62	7.62	7.62
Kerosene ..	quart	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.36	5.25	5.25	5.70	5.70	5.70	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.80	5.70	5.70
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.43	19.50	19.86	19.79	19.79	19.20	19.10	19.10	19.80	19.80	19.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	13.31	13.31	13.44	13.14	13.14	13.14	13.71	13.71	13.71	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.80	13.40	13.60
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	16.80	20.30	21.50	16.14	19.29	20.00	15.86	19.14	20.14	16.20	19.80	21.20	11.80	15.00	17.20
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.30	20.50	20.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.14	18.29	18.43	19.10	19.30	19.30	19.00	19.00	19.20
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.45	9.45	9.45	9.29	9.36	9.36	9.86	9.86	9.86	8.90	9.40	9.40	10.10	10.10	10.10
" fresh ..	quart	6.85	6.85	6.85	6.83	6.83	6.83	5.75	5.75	5.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	5.25	5.25	5.25
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	10.45	10.65	11.05	10.00	10.29	10.29	8.57	8.93	9.43	10.40	10.40	10.40	9.60	9.80	9.80
" rib ..	"	8.55	9.00	9.15	8.29	8.43	8.57	7.79	8.07	8.36	9.10	9.10	9.10	8.80	8.80	8.80
" steak, rump ..	"	15.60	15.80	16.00	14.14	14.14	14.29	13.29	13.29	13.71	14.40	14.40	14.60	14.80	14.80	14.80
" chuck ..	"	7.00	7.15	7.55	6.57	6.71	6.71	6.86	7.00	7.29	7.50	7.60	7.60	8.00	8.20	8.20
" sausages ..	"	5.56	5.89	6.17	5.43	5.57	5.71	5.71	5.71	5.71	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.80	6.80	6.80
Beef (corned) silver- " side ..	"	9.00	9.25	9.45	9.43	9.57	9.57	8.43	8.64	8.79	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.80	9.80
" brisket ..	"	6.85	7.25	7.30	7.71	7.86	7.86	6.93	7.07	7.36	7.40	7.20	7.40	7.80	8.00	8.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.80	8.25	8.30	7.64	7.86	7.79	7.36	7.50	8.00	7.40	7.50	7.60	8.80	9.00	9.00
" forequarter ..	"	4.65	4.90	4.95	4.79	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.86	5.07	4.70	4.80	4.90	6.00	6.40	6.40
" loin ..	"	7.35	7.45	7.55	6.21	6.21	6.21	6.50	6.50	6.71	7.90	7.30	7.30	8.20	8.20	8.40
" chops, loin ..	"	8.40	8.55	8.70	7.71	7.86	7.86	8.43	8.71	9.17	8.80	8.60	8.60	8.80	8.80	9.00
" chops, leg ..	"	8.80	8.95	9.05	8.57	8.71	8.71	8.57	8.71	9.00	8.40	8.20	8.40	8.80	8.80	9.00
Pork, leg ..	"	13.40	13.20	13.10	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.33	12.67	12.67	12.60	12.60	12.40	13.40	12.80	12.80
" loin ..	"	13.50	13.40	13.30	12.71	12.86	12.71	13.33	13.67	13.67	13.40	13.60	13.20	13.40	12.80	12.80
" chops ..	"	13.95	13.90	14.00	13.29	13.43	13.43	13.50	14.17	14.17	14.00	14.20	14.00	13.40	12.80	12.80
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	259.96	..	..	177.57	..	..	184.85	..	..	237.29	..	..	234.25	..

RETAIL PRICES.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940.**

RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.86	4.86	4.86	5.43	5.43	5.43	5.80	5.80	5.80	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	8.86	8.27	8.23	9.14	9.07	9.00	9.71	9.71	9.71	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.80	8.80	8.80
Tea ..	lb.	30.82	31.73	31.45	31.00	31.71	31.43	31.14	32.00	32.00	33.00	33.00	33.40	30.20	30.20	30.20
Sugar ..	"	3.96	3.96	3.96	4.24	4.23	4.23	4.18	4.18	4.18	4.50	4.50	4.50	3.97	3.97	3.97
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.64	3.64	3.64	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.70	3.70	3.70
Sago ..	"	3.36	3.41	3.59	3.43	3.50	3.64	3.48	3.86	4.08	3.70	3.63	3.70	3.50	4.00	4.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	8.82	8.36	8.59	8.52	8.52	8.63	8.63	8.63	8.63	8.63	8.63	8.78	8.33	8.33	8.70
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.73	6.73	6.73	7.14	7.14	7.21	7.79	7.79	7.79	7.90	7.90	7.90	7.20	7.20	7.20
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.23	3.16	3.02	3.50	3.43	3.43	3.88	3.88	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.67	3.80	3.65	3.55
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.91	10.91	10.95	11.21	11.21	11.21	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.70	10.70	10.70	10.60	10.60	10.60
Currants ..	"	9.59	9.59	9.64	9.64	9.57	9.57	9.79	9.86	9.86	9.30	9.30	9.30	9.70	9.80	9.80
Apricots, dried ..	"	16.85	16.55	16.59	15.83	16.33	16.43	16.00	16.36	17.08	15.25	15.25	17.13	15.00	15.50	15.70
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	10.59	10.68	10.86	11.21	11.36	11.36	11.14	11.14	11.50	10.90	10.90	10.90	11.10	11.20	11.70
Pears, canned ..	"	11.05	11.23	11.41	11.57	11.71	11.79	11.36	11.36	11.67	11.70	11.70	11.70	11.50	11.60	12.10
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	15.72	15.50	15.95	14.90	15.25	15.08	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	15.38	16.13	16.63
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	11.05	11.59	11.82	10.64	10.71	11.50	14.50	12.57	12.25	14.60	12.00	13.20	10.60	12.40	12.30
Onions, brown ..	lb.	1.34	1.50	1.55	1.21	1.21	1.50	1.57	1.57	1.57	2.00	1.88	2.00	1.44	1.34	1.44
Soap ..	"	6.18	6.15	6.18	6.67	6.72	6.72	6.86	6.86	7.00	6.93	6.93	6.93	6.47	6.47	6.47
Kerosene ..	quart	4.31	4.30	4.38	5.16	5.20	5.20	5.99	6.03	6.03	5.98	6.10	6.08	5.31	5.31	5.31
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.43	19.43	19.43	21.00	21.00	21.00	18.80	18.80	18.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	13.27	13.27	13.36	13.71	13.71	13.71	14.29	14.29	14.29	14.40	14.40	14.40	13.70	13.70	13.70
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	16.55	21.73	21.91	12.29	16.57	18.43	17.00	21.14	23.00	19.40	24.75	29.50	17.20	21.90	22.20
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	15.18	15.27	15.18	14.79	14.79	14.79	15.64	15.64	15.64	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.50	14.50	14.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.27	9.23	9.27	9.14	9.21	9.21	10.07	10.07	10.07	10.20	10.20	10.20	9.70	9.80	9.80
" fresh ..	quart	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.86	5.86	5.86	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.80	7.80	7.80	7.00	7.00	7.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	9.50	9.50	9.50	7.00	6.93	7.14	8.86	8.71	8.71	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.80	8.80	8.80
" rib ..	"	6.60	6.55	6.55	4.93	4.93	5.14	5.79	5.79	5.79	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.80	6.80	6.80
" steak, rump ..	"	12.05	12.00	12.05	9.14	9.14	9.57	11.43	11.43	11.43	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.60	10.60	10.60
" chuck ..	"	6.20	6.35	6.20	4.71	4.71	5.14	6.43	6.43	6.43	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.20	6.20	6.20
" sausages ..	"	6.10	6.20	6.20	5.57	5.57	5.57	6.57	6.57	6.57	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.80	6.80	6.80
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	7.95	7.95	8.00	6.79	6.79	6.93	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.80	7.80	7.80
" brisket ..	"	5.90	6.00	6.00	5.57	5.50	5.64	7.43	7.43	7.29	6.67	6.63	6.63	6.80	6.80	6.80
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.90	7.90	7.85	6.29	6.36	6.50	8.71	8.71	8.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.80	9.80	9.80
" forequarter ..	"	5.30	5.20	5.25	3.64	3.64	3.86	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.60	7.60	7.60
" loin ..	"	7.70	7.65	7.65	6.29	6.36	6.36	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.80	9.80	9.80
" chops, loin ..	"	7.95	7.90	7.80	6.14	6.29	6.29	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.80	9.80	9.80
" chops, leg ..	"	8.25	8.20	8.10	6.57	6.43	6.57	8.71	8.71	8.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.80	9.80	9.80
Pork, leg ..	"	11.55	11.50	11.60	10.71	10.57	10.57	11.43	11.43	11.43	13.00	13.00	13.00	11.80	11.80	11.80
" loin ..	"	11.65	11.65	11.75	10.14	10.14	10.14	11.00	11.00	11.29	10.80	10.80	10.80	11.80	11.80	11.80
" chops ..	"	11.70	11.70	11.80	10.43	10.43	10.43	11.86	11.86	11.86	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.80	11.80	11.80
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	230.49	..	..	213.81	..	..	203.40	..	..	216.80	..	..	161.81	..

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1940; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940.

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RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA, MOONTA AND WALLAROO.			PORT PIRIE.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.07	5.07	5.07	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	6.75	6.75	6.75	8.29	8.29	8.29	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.20	8.20	8.20
Tea ..	lb.	31.60	32.35	32.15	33.57	34.43	34.36	32.71	33.64	33.64	33.60	34.80	34.80	33.80	34.60	34.20
Sugar ..	"	3.93	3.93	3.93	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.93	3.93	4.00	4.21	4.21	4.21	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.10	4.10	4.00
Sago ..	"	3.08	3.25	3.30	3.93	3.93	4.29	3.86	4.07	4.36	4.10	4.30	4.30	4.20	4.20	4.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	8.45	8.55	8.55	9.60	9.60	9.60	8.75	8.92	9.08	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.50	9.80	9.90
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.55	6.55	6.55	8.07	8.07	8.07	8.43	8.43	8.43	7.80	7.80	7.80	7.90	7.90	7.90
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.20	3.03	2.88	4.00	3.92	4.00	4.00	3.92	3.75	3.95	3.80	3.80	3.90	3.70	3.60
Raisins, seeded ..	"	9.10	9.25	9.40	10.64	10.64	10.71	11.02	11.09	11.10	10.90	11.10	11.10	10.50	10.50	10.50
Currants ..	"	8.20	8.25	8.30	9.21	9.21	9.21	9.29	9.29	9.36	9.50	9.70	9.50	9.40	9.30	9.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	14.89	15.19	15.65	16.00	16.67	17.00	16.00	17.00	16.86	16.25	16.50	16.50	16.00	17.00	17.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	10.00	10.05	10.10	11.67	11.67	11.67	11.36	11.36	11.64	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.20	11.70	11.90
Pears, canned ..	"	9.85	10.00	10.05	11.67	11.67	11.67	11.14	11.29	11.71	11.38	11.63	11.63	11.40	11.90	12.00
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	13.40	13.80	14.00	13.60	14.00	14.40	15.57	15.71	15.86	14.33	14.00	14.00	14.88	15.50	15.50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.33	6.42	7.00	14.40	10.50	10.17	11.43	9.86	9.93	7.88	6.20	6.90	10.20	10.00	9.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.88	4.88	4.88	5.67	5.67	4.00	5.30	5.30	5.30	4.50	4.50	3.90	5.40	5.40	5.40
Soap ..	"	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.40	7.40	7.40
Kerosene ..	quart	4.45	4.46	4.46	5.04	5.11	5.11	5.39	5.39	5.39	4.55	4.60	4.60	5.27	5.35	5.35
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.05	19.05	19.05	20.86	20.86	20.86	19.93	19.93	19.93	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.20
Cheese, mild ..	"	12.20	12.20	12.20	14.64	14.64	14.67	14.71	14.71	14.71	14.60	14.60	14.60	14.40	14.40	14.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	12.65	14.95	16.95	7.86	9.14	11.57	9.86	11.64	15.29	11.00	11.80	14.40	8.20	11.00	13.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	17.65	18.40	18.40	19.00	19.33	19.33	19.43	20.14	20.29	18.80	19.20	19.40	19.00	19.80	20.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.15	9.15	9.15	10.00	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.86	10.20	10.20	10.20	9.80	9.60	9.60
" fresh ..	quart	5.85	5.85	5.85	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.57	7.57	7.57	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	9.05	9.40	9.40	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.14	9.14	8.50	8.40	8.40	8.00	8.00	8.00
" rib ..	"	7.35	7.70	7.60	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.00	8.14	8.14	7.25	7.20	7.20	8.00	8.00	8.00
" steak, rump ..	"	13.00	13.30	13.30	12.71	12.71	12.71	14.00	14.00	14.71	13.25	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" chuck ..	"	7.70	8.10	8.30	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.71	9.71	9.71	7.00	6.80	6.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
" sausages ..	"	5.20	5.50	5.50	5.86	5.86	5.86	6.00	6.00	6.71	5.67	5.50	5.50	6.00	5.75	6.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	9.35	9.55	9.65	10.14	10.29	10.14	10.14	10.14	10.71	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" brisket ..	"	6.85	7.15	7.35	8.71	8.71	8.71	9.00	9.00	9.00	6.63	6.80	6.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.85	8.20	8.10	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.14	8.14	8.86	6.50	6.60	6.20	8.00	8.00	8.00
" forequarter ..	"	4.30	4.60	4.55	5.71	5.71	5.71	5.00	5.00	5.71	4.50	4.50	4.70	5.00	5.00	5.00
" loin ..	"	7.05	7.60	7.60	7.14	7.14	7.14	6.57	6.57	7.14	6.25	6.20	6.20	6.00	6.00	6.00
" chops, loin ..	"	8.00	8.50	8.60	8.14	8.14	8.14	7.14	8.71	9.57	7.75	7.60	7.60	9.00	8.50	8.50
" chops, leg ..	"	9.00	9.30	9.30	8.29	8.29	8.43	8.86	9.29	9.71	7.50	7.40	7.40	9.00	9.00	9.00
Pork, leg ..	"	11.65	11.65	11.65	10.71	10.57	10.71	12.00	12.00	12.14	9.50	9.60	9.60	12.00	12.00	12.00
" loin ..	"	12.20	12.40	12.35	10.71	10.57	10.57	11.86	11.86	11.86	9.50	9.60	9.60	10.00	10.00	10.00
" chops ..	"	12.50	12.60	12.60	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.57	12.57	12.71	10.25	10.20	10.20	12.00	11.50	12.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	240.41	..	..	97.47	..	..	180.11	..	..	172.82	..	..	194.79	..

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1940; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH AND FREMANTLE.			KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.20	5.20	5.20
" self-raising ..	"	7.25	7.25	7.25	8.86	9.00	9.00	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75	7.73	7.73	7.73
Tea ..	lb.	31.90	32.80	32.80	33.71	35.00	35.00	33.00	34.00	34.00	31.75	32.75	32.75	33.00	34.00	34.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.55	4.93	4.93	4.93	3.90	3.90	3.90	3.63	3.63	3.75	3.90	3.90	3.90
Sago ..	"	3.30	3.45	3.60	4.79	4.86	4.86	3.60	3.60	3.80	3.25	3.50	3.50	3.60	3.70	3.80
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	9.05	9.15	9.20	10.86	10.93	11.00	9.30	9.30	9.40	9.63	9.75	10.00	10.10	10.10	10.30
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.35	7.35	7.35	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.13	8.13	8.13	8.80	8.80	8.80
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.58	3.50	3.45	4.43	4.57	4.43	4.00	3.88	3.75	4.00	4.00	3.75	4.10	4.10	4.10
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.55	10.55	10.55	11.86	12.00	12.00	11.30	11.30	11.30	9.88	9.88	9.88	11.20	11.20	11.20
Currants ..	"	8.95	9.00	9.00	10.07	10.07	10.07	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.80	9.80	9.80
Apricots, dried ..	"	14.90	15.00	15.00	15.86	16.14	16.29	15.75	15.75	15.75	15.33	15.33	15.67	15.75	16.00	16.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	11.10	11.20	11.55	12.71	12.86	12.86	11.38	11.50	11.50	12.25	12.75	12.75	11.80	12.00	12.40
Pears, canned ..	"	11.75	11.75	12.20	13.71	13.71	13.86	11.75	11.70	12.00	12.25	12.75	12.75	12.20	12.40	12.80
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	14.55	14.85	15.20	16.80	17.20	17.40	15.50	16.33	17.50	15.33	15.33	15.33	14.00	14.00	15.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	6.80	6.25	7.15	9.21	9.00	8.79	7.80	7.20	8.00	7.63	7.13	7.13	7.40	7.40	8.30
Onions, brown ..	lb.	1.85	2.00	2.05	3.00	3.14	3.07	2.60	2.60	2.40	3.50	3.00	2.75	2.40	2.40	2.40
Soap ..	"	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.19	7.19	7.19	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.20	7.20	7.20
Kerosene ..	quart	4.81	4.81	4.87	6.64	6.64	6.64	5.28	5.30	5.30	5.30	5.46	5.50	5.78	5.78	6.00
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.95	19.95	19.95	22.86	23.00	23.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	15.10	15.10	15.10	15.86	15.86	15.86	15.80	15.80	15.80	14.50	14.50	14.75	15.20	15.20	15.20
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	12.80	18.60	20.80	16.14	21.43	23.00	11.20	15.20	16.00	14.25	17.75	21.25	14.20	17.60	21.40
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	17.60	17.40	17.40	18.86	18.86	18.86	17.20	17.20	17.20	16.00	16.00	16.00	17.80	17.80	17.80
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.35	9.35	9.35	10.43	10.43	10.43	9.50	9.50	9.40	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.00	7.00	7.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	9.30	9.30	9.50	10.14	10.14	10.14	9.50	9.75	9.75	10.20	10.20	10.20	8.67	8.67	8.67
" rib ..	"	8.25	8.25	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.75	8.75	8.75	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.00	7.67	7.67
" steak, rump ..	"	15.30	15.30	15.30	16.00	16.00	16.00	14.75	14.75	14.75	15.80	15.80	15.80	13.67	13.67	13.33
" " chuck ..	"	8.10	8.10	8.30	8.29	8.29	8.29	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.40	9.40	9.40	7.67	7.67	7.00
" sausages ..	"	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.86	6.86	6.71	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.20	7.20	7.00	6.67	6.33
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	8.50	8.60	8.70	10.14	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.80	9.80	9.80	8.33	8.33	8.33
" " brisket ..	"	6.55	6.65	6.85	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.33	7.00	6.67
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.00	8.10	8.15	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.25	8.25	8.25	9.40	9.40	9.40	7.67	7.67	7.33
" forequarter ..	"	4.60	4.70	4.75	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.63	5.88	5.88	5.60	5.40	5.40	5.33	5.33	5.00
" loin ..	"	7.45	7.65	7.65	9.86	9.86	9.86	8.25	8.00	8.00	9.40	9.40	9.40	7.67	7.67	7.33
" chops, loin ..	"	8.30	8.30	8.20	10.57	10.57	10.57	9.25	9.50	9.25	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.00	8.00	7.67
" chops, leg ..	"	8.40	8.50	8.50	10.57	10.57	10.57	9.25	9.50	9.25	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.00	8.00	7.67
Pork, leg ..	"	13.00	13.10	13.00	14.57	14.57	14.57	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	12.00
" loin ..	"	13.10	13.10	13.10	14.14	14.00	14.00	11.60	11.50	11.50	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" chops ..	"	13.40	13.40	13.40	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	238.02	..	..	330.72	..	..	223.51	..	..	252.96	..	..	267.95	..

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1940; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940.**

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	5.00	5.50	5.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.20	4.20	4.10	3.86	3.86	3.79	4.75	4.80	4.80	4.00	4.10	4.80	4.50	4.40	4.63
" self-raising ..	"	7.00	7.05	7.15	6.86	7.07	7.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.63	7.80	7.80	7.63	7.63	7.63
Tea ..	lb.	31.45	32.45	32.45	31.36	32.43	32.29	32.75	33.20	32.80	31.80	32.60	32.80	31.75	32.50	32.50
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.00
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.73	3.73	3.73	3.61	3.63	3.61	3.88	3.90	3.90	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.12	4.13	4.13
Sago ..	"	3.85	3.80	3.75	3.50	3.50	3.57	4.38	4.30	4.30	4.20	4.40	4.20	4.38	4.38	4.38
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	7.95	7.95	8.50	7.64	7.64	8.07	8.63	8.50	8.60	8.40	8.40	8.70	8.75	8.75	8.88
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.21	7.14	7.21	7.88	7.90	7.90	7.60	7.70	7.70	9.38	9.38	9.38
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.63	3.55	3.53	3.32	3.25	3.25	3.56	3.25	3.10	3.65	3.55	3.60	4.83	4.83	4.83
Kaisins, seeded ..	"	10.60	10.75	10.65	10.43	10.43	10.43	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.80	10.80	10.70	10.88	10.60	10.75
Currants ..	"	9.35	9.30	9.30	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.88	9.70	9.70	9.30	9.30	9.30	9.38	9.38	9.38
Apricots, dried ..	"	14.78	14.86	15.14	15.00	15.20	15.20	15.75	16.40	15.80	16.40	16.75	18.00	15.75	15.75	17.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	10.60	11.25	11.35	10.36	11.07	11.21	10.75	11.60	11.60	10.90	11.70	11.60	11.13	11.13	11.13
Pears, canned ..	"	10.45	11.15	11.30	10.29	10.93	11.07	11.00	11.70	11.70	11.10	11.70	11.70	11.25	11.25	11.25
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	14.50	14.78	14.60	14.00	14.40	14.60	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.40	14.80	14.00	15.00	14.75	15.33
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	15.12	12.53	10.79	8.05	6.83	6.90	7.10	6.88	8.01	9.16	6.73	6.86	14.83	13.58	14.83
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.35	1.95	2.00	1.71	1.25	1.25	1.88	1.50	1.60	2.30	2.10	1.80	3.00	2.63	2.13
Soap ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.92	6.87	6.87	6.87	6.87	6.87	7.00	7.00	7.00
Kerosene ..	quart	6.03	6.07	6.10	6.16	6.16	6.16	6.13	6.13	6.13	5.93	5.78	5.89	7.50	7.50	7.50
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.50	19.25	19.25
Cheese, mild ..	"	13.88	13.81	14.11	12.43	12.43	12.43	14.50	14.20	14.20	13.80	13.60	13.80	14.25	14.25	14.25
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	13.50	21.10	21.20	12.71	18.14	19.57	15.25	16.80	20.20	12.80	14.80	18.40	16.50	18.40	24.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	16.00	16.70	16.80	15.86	16.00	16.14	15.50	15.60	15.60	16.40	16.40	16.40	15.75	15.60	15.75
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.60	9.60	9.65	9.43	9.43	9.57	10.38	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.00	10.00	10.00
" fresh ..	quart	6.56	6.56	6.56	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	9.30	9.30	9.40	9.57	9.57	9.57	8.50	8.75	8.75	9.00	8.67	9.00	10.33	10.33	10.33
" rib ..	"	7.70	7.80	7.80	8.64	8.64	8.64	7.75	8.00	8.00	8.33	8.33	8.33	9.33	9.33	9.33
" steak, rump ..	"	13.10	13.20	12.90	13.29	13.29	13.29	11.50	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.33	11.33	13.33	13.33	13.33
" chuck ..	"	7.60	7.50	7.40	7.21	7.21	7.21	7.75	8.00	7.75	7.67	7.67	7.67	9.33	9.33	9.33
" sausages ..	"	5.90	5.90	5.90	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	9.40	9.50	9.40	9.57	9.64	9.64	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.67	8.67	8.67	10.33	10.33	10.33
" brisket ..	"	7.60	7.80	7.90	8.21	8.07	8.07	7.50	8.00	8.00	7.67	7.67	7.67	9.33	9.33	9.33
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.35	8.35	8.40	9.43	9.43	9.43	10.75	11.00	11.00	10.67	10.33	10.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
" forequarter ..	"	5.25	5.25	5.25	6.57	6.57	6.71	7.75	7.75	7.75	8.33	8.00	8.33	9.33	9.33	9.33
" loin ..	"	7.40	7.50	7.40	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.33	10.33	10.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
" chops, loin ..	"	9.10	9.00	8.80	10.71	10.71	10.71	11.25	11.00	11.00	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.33
" chops, leg ..	"	9.70	9.30	9.30	10.43	10.43	10.43	11.25	11.50	11.25	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.33
Pork, leg ..	"	11.90	11.80	12.00	11.14	11.29	11.57	10.75	10.50	10.25	9.67	9.67	9.67	11.33	11.33	11.33
" loin ..	"	11.90	11.90	12.10	11.14	11.14	11.57	10.75	11.00	10.75	10.67	10.33	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.33
" chops ..	"	12.20	12.20	12.30	10.86	11.00	11.57	11.00	11.50	11.25	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.33
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	251.27	..	..	230.40	..	..	213.85	..	..	192.96	..	..	204.76	..

Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	III. Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	IV. Dairy Pro- duce.	V. Gro- ceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Building Ma- terials.	VIII. Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861	1,438	1,331	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1901	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1914	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,149
1921	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1923	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929	1,912	1,566	1,792	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,624	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
1931	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1932	1,736	1,000	1,230	1,303	1,767	1,348	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,195	1,714	1,487	2,061	2,106	1,409
1934	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,018	1,471
1935	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,325	1,729	1,508	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936	1,566	1,331	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,684	1,969	1,997	1,543
1937	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939	1,755	1,101	1,822	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1934-35 ..	1,629	1,185	1,333	1,336	1,724	1,512	1,991	1,983	1,468
1935-36 ..	1,577	1,281	1,371	1,330	1,732	1,575	1,945	2,010	1,491
1936-37 ..	1,662	1,452	1,583	1,389	1,739	1,643	2,195	1,982	1,619
1937-38 ..	1,766	1,162	1,638	1,510	1,749	1,828	2,397	2,043	1,642
1938-39 ..	1,746	1,039	1,911	1,570	1,745	1,881	2,138	2,065	1,692
January ..	1,701	1,528	1,658	1,381	1,746	1,528	2,138	1,966	1,644
February ..	1,720	1,506	1,575	1,408	1,750	1,439	2,230	1,966	1,618
March	1,812	1,583	1,552	1,419	1,749	1,471	2,425	1,966	1,652
April	1,790	1,609	1,565	1,447	1,742	1,403	2,507	1,999	1,657
May	1,773	1,569	1,568	1,467	1,751	1,466	2,538	1,999	1,660
June	1,769	1,504	1,574	1,440	1,753	1,633	2,537	1,999	1,663
July	1,773	1,460	1,666	1,470	1,757	1,790	2,546	2,015	1,703
August	1,785	1,398	1,726	1,453	1,745	1,903	2,555	2,031	1,720
September ..	1,818	1,282	1,648	1,475	1,748	2,127	2,516	2,033	1,706
October	1,793	1,189	1,648	1,481	1,752	1,940	2,429	2,033	1,664
November ..	1,774	1,105	1,553	1,479	1,756	1,806	2,384	2,033	1,605
December ..	1,762	1,140	1,520	1,494	1,755	1,629	2,360	2,033	1,582
January ..	1,762	1,097	1,579	1,515	1,751	1,663	2,369	2,049	1,596
February ..	1,754	1,093	1,602	1,520	1,743	1,675	2,344	2,047	1,600
March	1,755	1,079	1,590	1,522	1,743	1,755	2,350	2,059	1,603
April	1,751	1,054	1,639	1,545	1,754	1,827	2,359	2,059	1,624
May	1,730	1,037	1,731	1,570	1,744	1,818	2,299	2,059	1,641
June	1,728	1,010	1,753	1,594	1,745	2,005	2,256	2,059	1,661
July	1,744	1,054	1,945	1,568	1,746	2,084	2,180	2,063	1,726
August	1,743	1,036	1,865	1,550	1,748	2,232	2,167	2,063	1,713
September ..	1,739	1,012	1,789	1,547	1,748	2,178	2,130	2,063	1,680
October	1,752	1,044	1,985	1,543	1,746	1,915	2,132	2,063	1,715
November ..	1,749	1,052	1,992	1,552	1,752	1,695	2,134	2,063	1,698
December ..	1,744	1,049	1,995	1,557	1,752	1,605	2,137	2,063	1,689
January ..	1,759	1,055	2,003	1,561	1,746	1,576	2,137	2,063	1,690
February ..	1,718	1,066	2,071	1,591	1,750	1,616	2,150	2,063	1,714
March	1,753	1,073	2,062	1,573	1,736	2,112	2,145	2,063	1,764
April	1,711	1,032	1,814	1,607	1,740	2,131	2,143	2,063	1,692
May	1,751	973	1,719	1,630	1,732	1,722	2,146	2,063	1,615
June	1,748	1,024	1,688	1,560	1,748	1,705	2,194	2,083	1,609
July	1,748	1,015	1,763	1,552	1,748	1,576	2,107	2,083	1,613
August	1,750	1,001	1,775	1,498	1,743	1,498	2,107	2,083	1,600
September ..	1,757	1,101	1,806	1,510	1,752	1,570	2,368	2,083	1,651
October	1,759	1,184	1,858	1,520	1,758	1,625	2,368	2,083	1,687
November ..	1,784	1,299	1,711	1,520	1,775	1,676	2,420	2,083	1,680
December ..	1,821	1,387	1,573	1,530	1,793	1,712	2,442	2,083	1,669
January ..	1,821	1,417	1,475	1,541	1,793	1,709	2,442	2,094	1,648
February ..	1,827	1,373	1,451	1,568	1,792	1,794	2,441	2,094	1,645
March	1,836	1,357	1,483	1,575	1,786	1,868	2,584	2,165	1,668

COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

† (Base: Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms).	Food Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series.	All Items of Household Expenditure. "C" Series.	Wholesale Prices, Melbourne.	Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (a)	Percentage of Unemployment among Trade Unionists.
Year—								
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	(b)1,000	1,000	1,000	(b)1,000	4.7
1914	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,149	1,081	948	8.3
1921	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,680	1,903	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,675	1,792	1,963	1,172	10.8
1934	1,400	1,324	1,371	1,355	1,471	1,590	1,173	20.5
1935	1,442	1,372	1,416	1,380	1,469	1,609	1,166	16.5
1936	1,475	1,437	1,461	1,409	1,543	1,635	1,160	12.2
1937	1,521	1,488	1,510	1,448	1,656	1,704	1,177	9.3
1938	1,584	1,540	1,568	1,488	1,662	1,796	1,207	8.7
1939	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,526	1,665	..	..	9.8
Quarter—								
1929.								
September ..	1,867	1,754	1,824	1,713	1,834	1,979	1,155	12.1
December ..	1,873	1,751	1,827	1,712	1,799	1,974	1,153	13.1
1930.								
March	1,751	1,782	1,763	1,670	1,680	1,973	1,181	14.6
June	1,734	1,744	1,738	1,653	1,667	1,956	1,183	18.5
September ..	1,673	1,692	1,680	1,607	1,599	1,939	1,207	20.5
December ..	1,568	1,625	1,590	1,542	1,438	1,887	1,224	23.4
1931.								
March	1,538	1,560	1,546	1,500	1,453	1,814	1,209	25.8
June	1,496	1,501	1,498	1,464	1,437	1,764	1,205	27.6
September ..	1,435	1,447	1,439	1,423	1,406	1,735	1,219	28.3
December ..	1,439	1,382	1,418	1,406	1,418	1,694	1,205	28.0
1932.								
March	1,465	1,358	1,425	1,403	1,434	1,680	1,197	28.3
June	1,448	1,345	1,409	1,389	1,410	1,672	1,204	30.0
September ..	1,416	1,327	1,382	1,370	1,418	1,608	1,174	29.6
December ..	1,369	1,314	1,348	1,346	1,384	1,597	1,186	28.1
1933.								
March	1,317	1,318	1,318	1,327	1,336	1,585	1,194	26.5
June	1,337	1,314	1,329	1,334	1,401	1,595	1,196	25.7
September ..	1,359	1,311	1,341	1,340	1,467	1,587	1,184	25.1
December ..	1,355	1,311	1,339	1,337	1,432	1,570	1,174	23.0
1934.								
March	1,371	1,315	1,350	1,344	1,456	1,572	1,170	21.9
June	1,404	1,319	1,372	1,358	1,463	1,592	1,172	20.9
September ..	1,401	1,331	1,375	1,357	1,492	1,596	1,176	20.4
December ..	1,422	1,332	1,388	1,361	1,474	1,599	1,175	18.8
1935.								
March	1,420	1,356	1,396	1,368	1,451	1,604	1,173	18.6
June	1,425	1,363	1,402	1,371	1,456	1,605	1,171	17.8
September ..	1,461	1,379	1,430	1,389	1,491	1,609	1,158	15.9
December ..	1,460	1,390	1,434	1,391	1,479	1,617	1,162	13.7
1936.								
March	1,445	1,413	1,433	1,391	1,475	1,620	1,165	13.4
June	1,455	1,425	1,444	1,397	1,520	1,625	1,163	12.8
September ..	1,489	1,449	1,474	1,420	1,570	1,637	1,153	12.0
December ..	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,430	1,607	1,656	1,158	10.7
1937.								
March	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,433	1,638	1,659	1,158	9.9
June	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,441	1,660	1,677	1,164	9.7
September ..	1,526	1,499	1,516	1,454	1,710	1,718	1,182	9.3
December ..	1,540	1,510	1,529	1,465	1,617	1,760	1,201	8.2
1938.								
March	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,467	1,600	1,775	1,210	8.0
June	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,482	1,642	1,784	1,204	8.6
September ..	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,500	1,706	1,803	1,202	9.2
December ..	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,501	1,701	1,820	1,213	8.9
1939.								
March	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,524	1,723	1,821	1,195	9.8
June	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,522	1,698	1,842	1,210	9.7
September ..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,520	1,621	1,849	1,216	10.4
December ..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,536	1,679	1,853	1,206	9.5
1940.								
March	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,542	1,654	..	..	8.1

(a) Allowing for variations in retail prices since 1911. Calculated by "All Items" ("C" Series) Index.

(b) Taken back from true base (November, 1914=1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

† The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.		Years.						
		1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1939.
Population(a)	Males	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,799,462	3,332,577	3,534,813
	Females	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,462,513
	Persons	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	6,997,326
Births	No.	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	122,891
	Rate	35.28	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	17.65
Deaths	No.	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	69,147
	Rate	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	9.93
Marriages	No.	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	64,257
	Rate	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	9.23
		1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1938-39.
Agriculture—								
Wheat	Area, acs.	2,995,814	3,334,957	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	14,741,313	14,346,380
	Yld., bshl.	21,443,862	25,675,265	33,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	190,612,188	155,368,621
	Av., "	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	12.93	10.83
Oats	Area, acs.	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	1,085,489	1,784,205
	Yld., bshl.	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	15,194,680	15,554,735
	Av., "	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	14.00	8.72
Barley	Area, acs.	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,396	744,737
	Yld., bshl.	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	6,290,672	10,830,714
	Av., "	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	18.37	14.54
Maize	Area, acs.	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,448	324,166
	Yld., bshl.	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438	7,062,383	6,999,974
	Av., "	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	26.21	21.59
Hay	Area, acs.	768,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,351	2,994,519	2,634,680	3,196,551
	Yld., tons	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,609	2,867,973	3,902,189	3,167,459	3,125,905
	Av., "	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	0.98
Potatoes(b)	Area, acs.	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,141	145,111	97,659
	Yld., tons	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	270,258
	Av., "	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	2.77
Sugar Cane	Area, acs.	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,350	241,576	368,429
	Yld., tons	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	4,213,453	5,678,894
(c)	Av., "	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	17.44	21.65
Vineyards	Area, acs.	14,569	45,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,961	126,427
	Wine, gal.	1,433,060	3,437,598	5,262,447	4,975,147	8,542,573	14,190,522	14,929,352
Total gross value all agricultural production £		15,519,000	16,988,000	23,835,000	23,774,000	81,890,000	74,489,000	(e)
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock	Sheep No.	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	96,886,234	86,119,068	110,618,893	111,057,832
	Cattle "	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	14,441,309	12,260,955	12,861,781
(a)	Horses "	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182	1,775,550	1,741,831
	Pigs "	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	960,385	1,167,845	1,154,052
Wool prod., lb. (greasy)		319,649,000	634,046,000	539,395,000	798,391,000	723,059,000	1,007,455,847	984,913,955
Butter production } lb.		(e)	42,314,585	108,747,295	212,073,745	267,071,340	390,654,070	456,850,483
Cheese production } d.,		(e)	10,130,945	11,845,153	15,886,712	32,653,033	31,422,973	66,062,261
Bacon and ham		(e)	16,771,836	34,020,629	53,935,092	58,626,469	71,121,740	(e)
Total gross value of pastoral and dairying production £		29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	72,883,000	119,399,000	103,018,000	(e)
		1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1938.
Mineral production—								
Gold	£	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,017,533	10,551,624	4,018,685	3,563,519	14,026,615
	£	45,822	3,736,352	2,248,598	3,022,177	1,539,992	1,443,897	4,744,437
Silver and Lead	£	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957	567,558	893,080
	£	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418	216,205	711,628
Tin..	£	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	283,455	512,795	916,905
	£	637,865	1,912,353	2,602,733	3,927,360	11,014,831	6,355,246	7,539,622
Total value of all mineral production £		7,820,290	12,074,106	21,816,772	23,302,878	19,997,384	13,352,316	32,420,842
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn—								
1,000 sup. ft.		(e)	(e)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	746,741
Factories—								
No. of factories	No.				14,455	18,023	21,657	26,395
	No.				311,710	378,540	336,658	559,160
Hands employed	No.				27,528,377	68,050,361	55,931,818	102,078,550
	£	(f)	(f)	(f)	51,259,004	121,674,119	110,981,830	196,488,024
Value of production					133,022,090	320,331,765	281,645,785	498,779,141
Total value of output £								

(a) At 31st December. (b) Partly estimated for 1881. (c) Area of productive cane. (d) Years ended December, except for last two columns which refer to years ended June. (e) Information not available. (f) Owing to variation in classification, and lack of information, effective comparison is impossible.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1938-39.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels { No. ent. & cleared { tons	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	3,814
Commerce—	2,549,364	4,726,307	6,541,991	9,984,801	9,081,278	11,395,784	13,545,712
Imports, oversea £	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,434,000	66,967,488	103,066,436	44,712,868	102,156,352
" per head £	12/18/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	13/14/1	6/16/6	14/14/11
Exports, oversea £	27,528,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	127,846,535	a 85,842,887	(a) 112,201,372
" per head £	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	13/1/11	16/3/11
Total oversea trade £	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	146,449,746	230,912,971	130,555,755	214,357,724
" per head £	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	19/18/5	30/18/10
Customs and Excise duties .. £	4,809,326	7,440,869	8,656,530	13,515,005	27,565,199	28,524,996	47,820,941
" per head £	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	4/7/1	6/17/6
Principal Oversea Exports (b) —							
Wool { lb. (greasy) £	328,369,200	619,259,800	518,018,100	720,364,900	927,833,700	893,644,148	946,960,391
" £	13,173,026	19,940,029	15,237,454	26,071,193	47,977,044	32,102,246	42,629,461
Wheat { cental £	3,218,792	5,876,875	12,156,035	33,088,704	59,968,334	76,440,603	37,877,414
" £	1,189,762	1,938,864	2,774,643	9,641,608	28,644,155	19,220,203	8,734,974
Flour { tons £	49,549	33,363	96,814	175,891	359,734	610,858	647,380
" £	519,635	328,423	589,604	1,391,529	5,519,881	3,833,237	4,540,210
Butter { lb. £	1,298,800	4,239,500	34,607,400	101,722,100	127,347,400	201,689,404	229,542,779
" £	39,383	206,868	1,451,168	4,637,362	7,968,078	10,250,002	12,228,144
Skins and hides £	316,878	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	3,136,810	2,315,594	4,095,754
Tallow .. £	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,935,836	1,441,795	831,415	483,034
Meats .. £	362,965	460,894	2,611,244	4,303,159	5,542,102	6,370,012	928,504
Timber (undressed) £	118,117	38,448	731,301	1,023,960	1,158,166	432,595	11,775,635
Gold .. £	6,445,365	5,703,532	14,315,741	12,045,766	3,483,239	12,694,786	17,953,292
Silver and lead £	57,954	1,932,278	2,250,253	3,212,584	2,697,130	2,902,056	5,786,426
Copper .. £	676,515	417,687	1,619,145	2,345,961	705,358	472,468	437,125
Coal .. £	361,061	645,972	986,957	900,622	1,099,899	341,800	347,054
Govt. Railways—							
Lgh. of line open, mls.	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,502	26,959	27,234
Capital cost £	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,223,779	152,194,603	244,353,233	323,365,450	317,253,832
Gross revenue £	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,468	17,847,837	38,194,637	37,579,965	44,779,744
Working expenses £	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,133,617	10,945,727	29,817,970	28,141,984	35,957,863
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings %	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	78.07	74.88	80.30
Postal—							
Letters and post-cards dealt with No.	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,063,000	561,973,105	c 731,134,500	c 903,089,600
" per head ..	29.61	49.07	53.26	100.90	102.01	111.62	130.37
Newspapers dealt with No.	38,063,000	85,280,000	102,727,000	141,638,000	140,477,184	139,502,100	165,361,700
" per head ..	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	25.60	21.30	23.87
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,399,462	3,719,458	e 213,868	197,121	j 166,890
Coin & bullion held £	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,780,528	33,470,770	21,626,832	2,882,026	j 3,967,660
Advances .. £	57,732,824	129,741,583	86,352,832	108,578,774	193,435,760	260,917,515	j 334,846,225
Deposits .. £	53,849,455	98,345,338	91,487,148	143,446,910	f 273,866,737	g 319,241,333	j 425,470,022
Savings Banks (h)—							
Total deposits £	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	154,396,051	197,966,308	i 245,499,595
Aver. per head of population £	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	30/1/11	35/1/8
State Schools—							
Number of Schools ..	4,494	6,221	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,097	10,205
Teachers .. No.	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	33,762	32,661
Enrolment ..	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	936,901	886,982
Aver. attendance ..	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	817,262	761,848

(a) British currency values. The recorded values were: Exports, 1931-32, £A109,034,065; and 1938-39, £A140,496,312, vide page 18. (b) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (c) Includes packets. (d) Figures for the first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter. (e) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issuance. (f) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank Deposits. (g) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded. (h) First three years at 31st December, remainder, 30th June. (i) At 31st March, 1940. (j) Quarter ended March, 1940.

